

Operation and Development of Mesoscale NWP System in HKO using JMA-NHM

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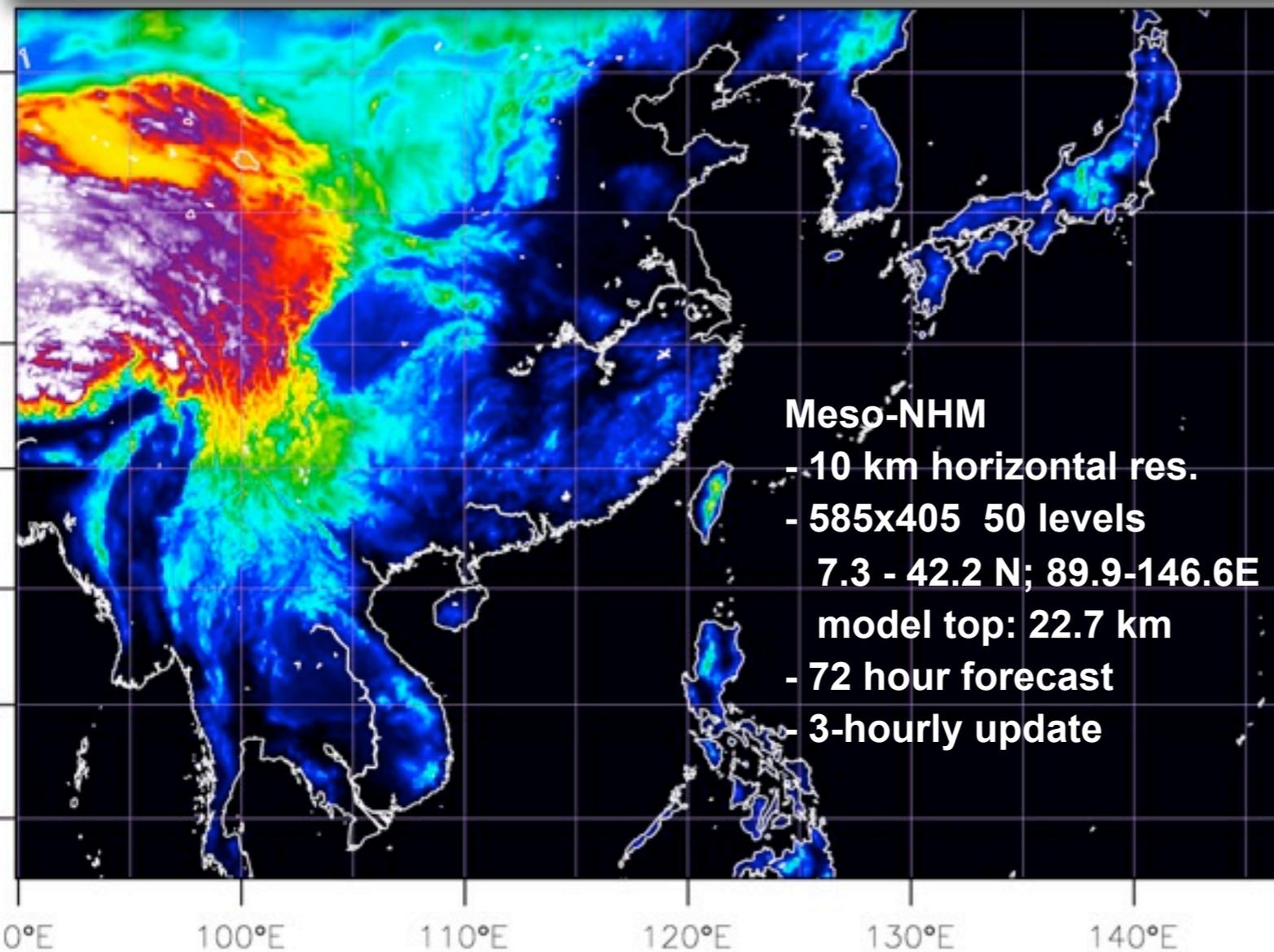
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Atmospheric Integrated Rapid-cycle (AIR) Model System based on JMA-NHM

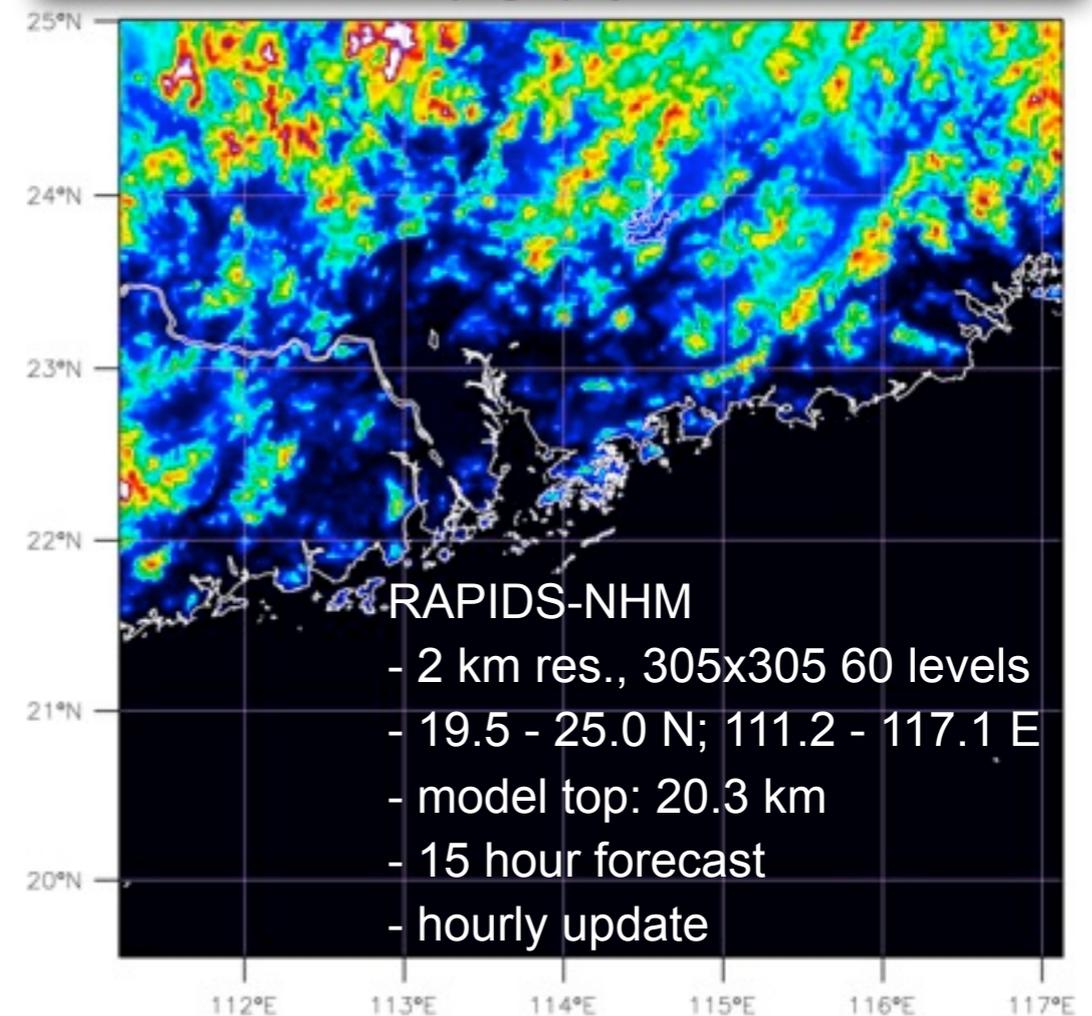
Meso-NHM



Meso-NHM
- 10 km horizontal res.
- 585x405 50 levels
- 7.3 - 42.2 N; 89.9-146.6E
- model top: 22.7 km
- 72 hour forecast
- 3-hourly update



RAPIDS-NHM

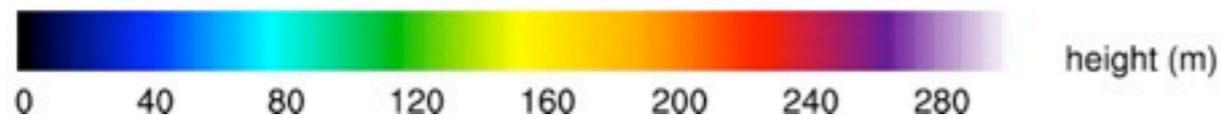
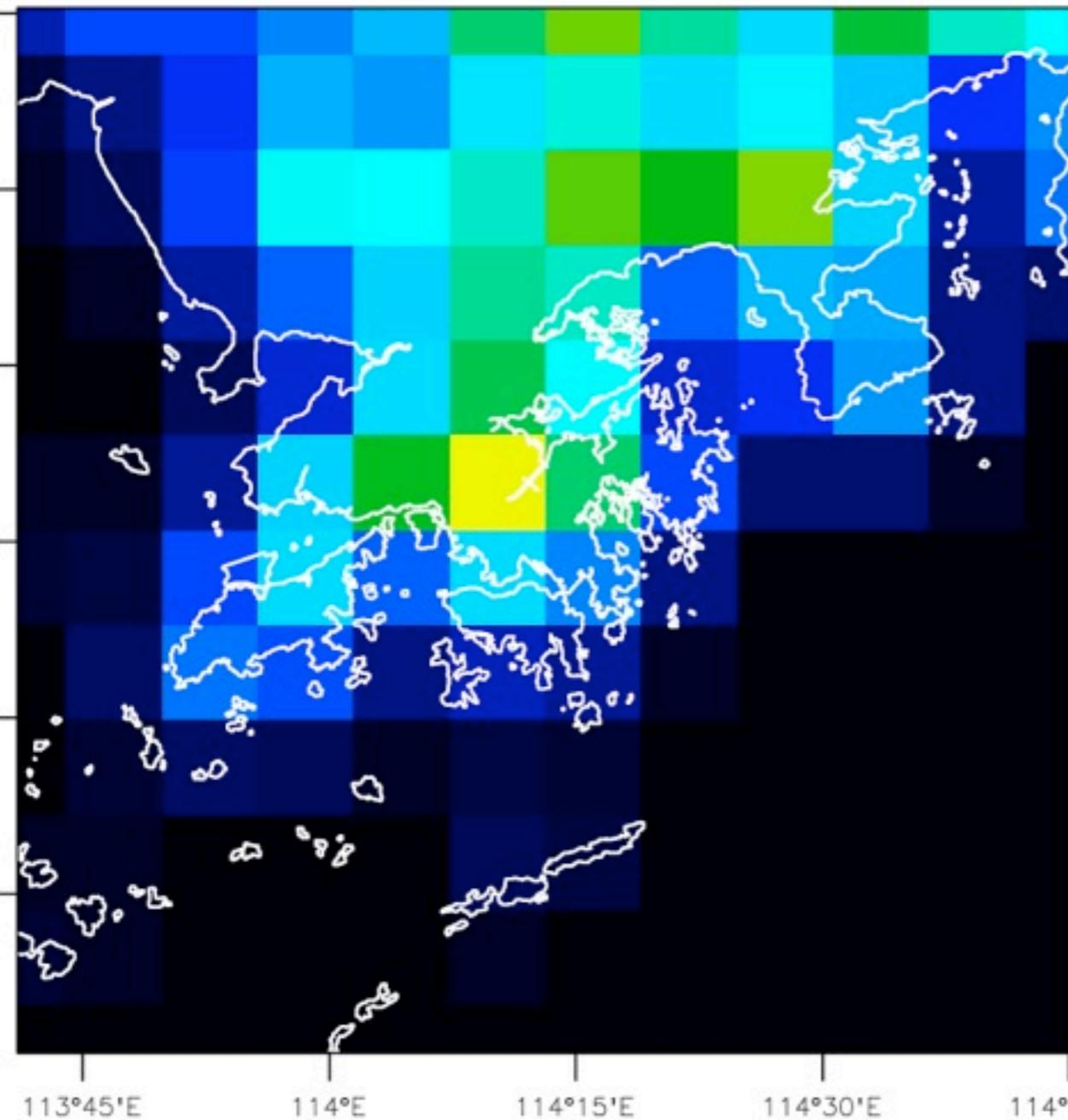


RAPIDS-NHM
- 2 km res., 305x305 60 levels
- 19.5 - 25.0 N; 111.2 - 117.1 E
- model top: 20.3 km
- 15 hour forecast
- hourly update

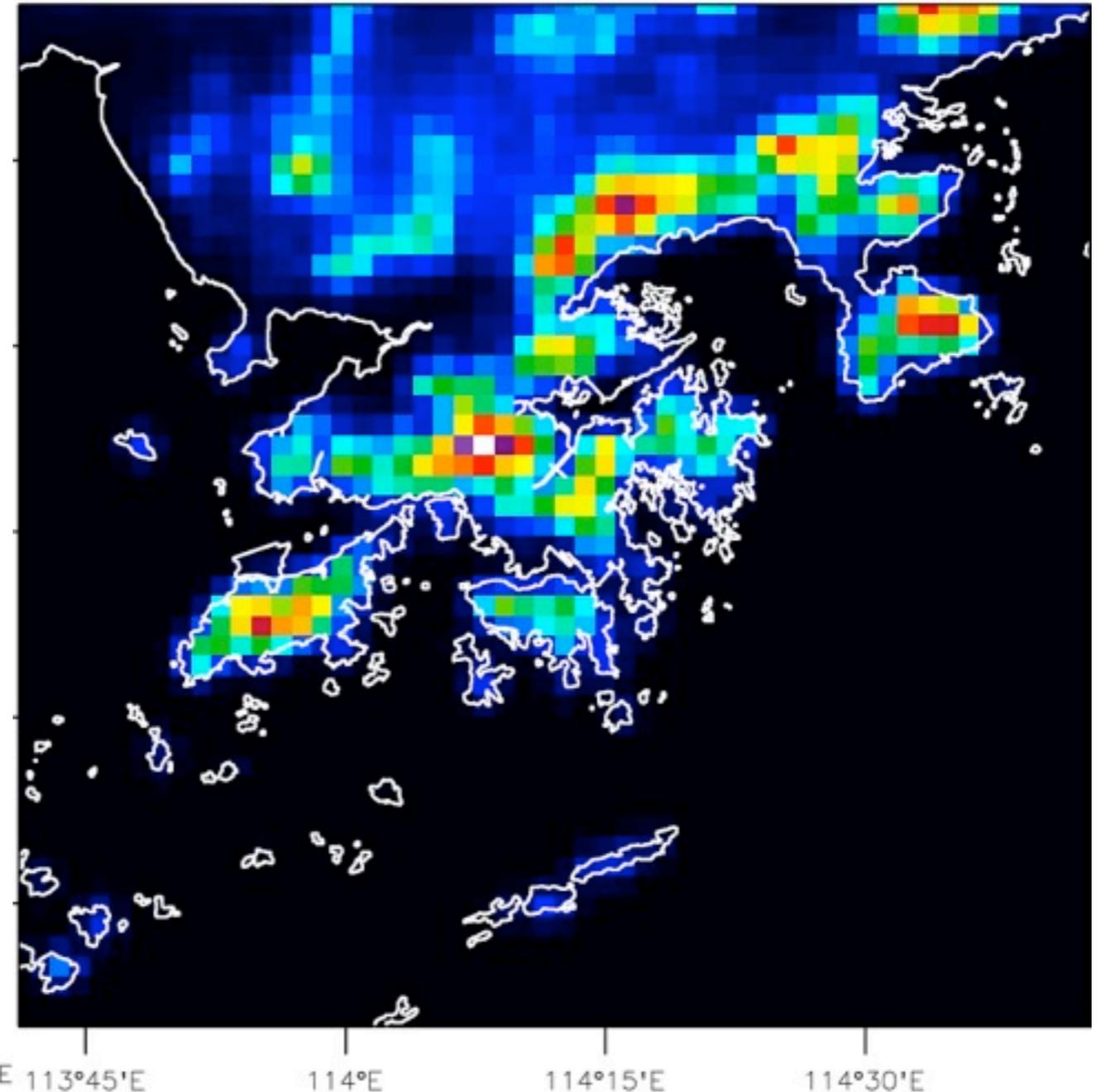


Model Terrain over Hong Kong

Meso-NHM Terrain over Hong Kong



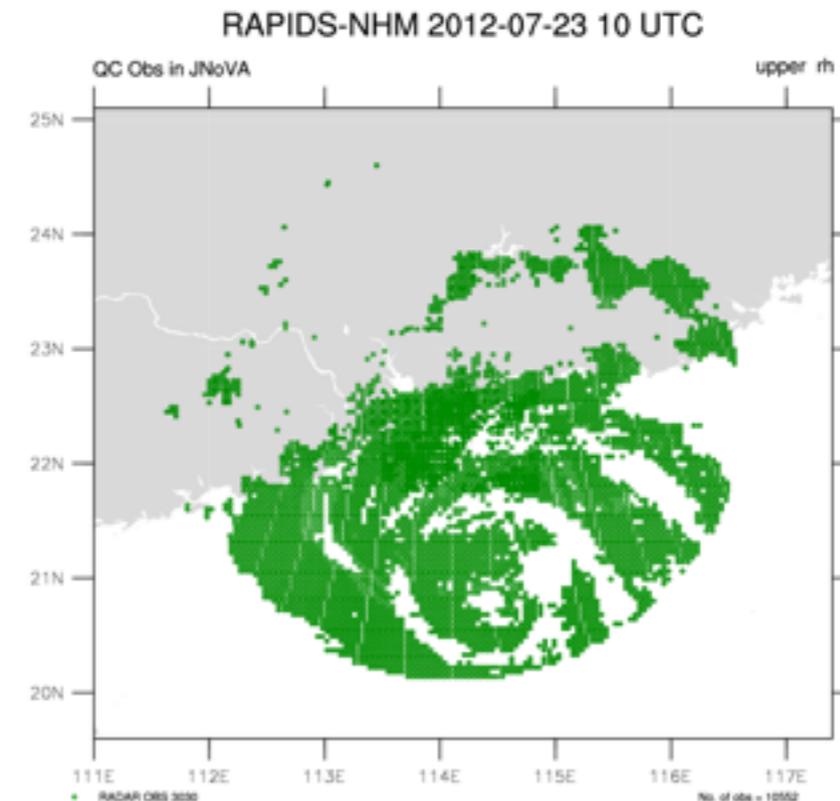
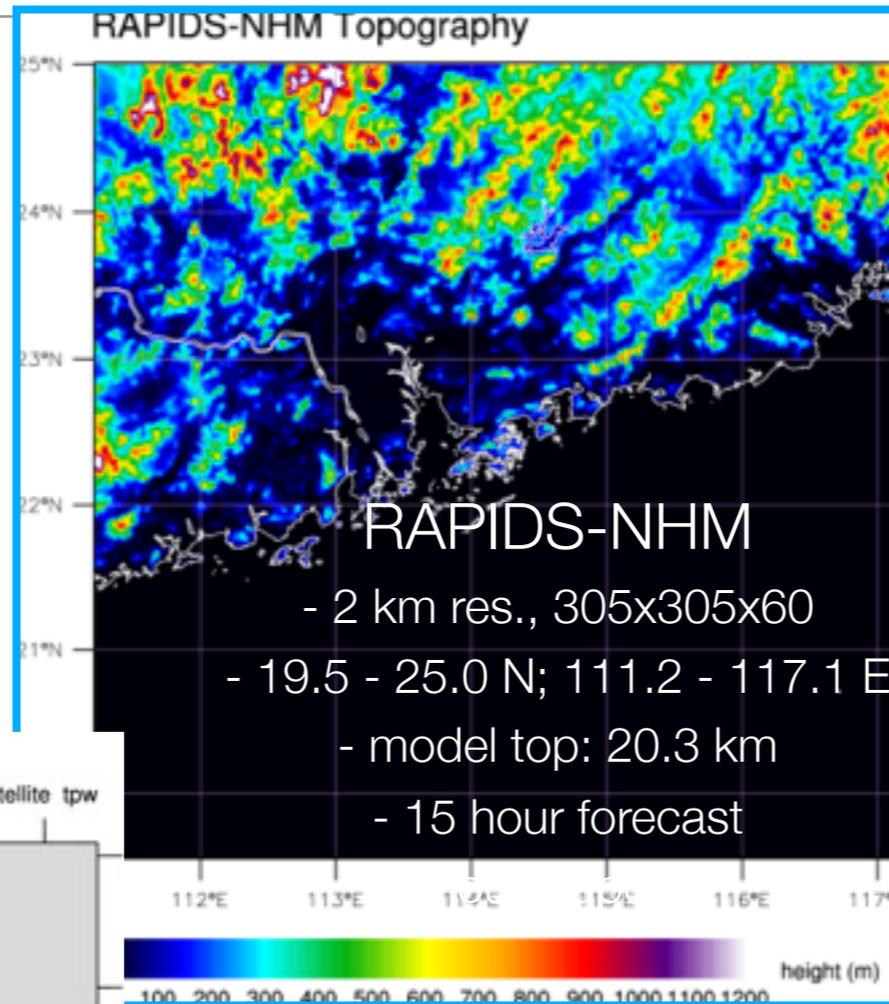
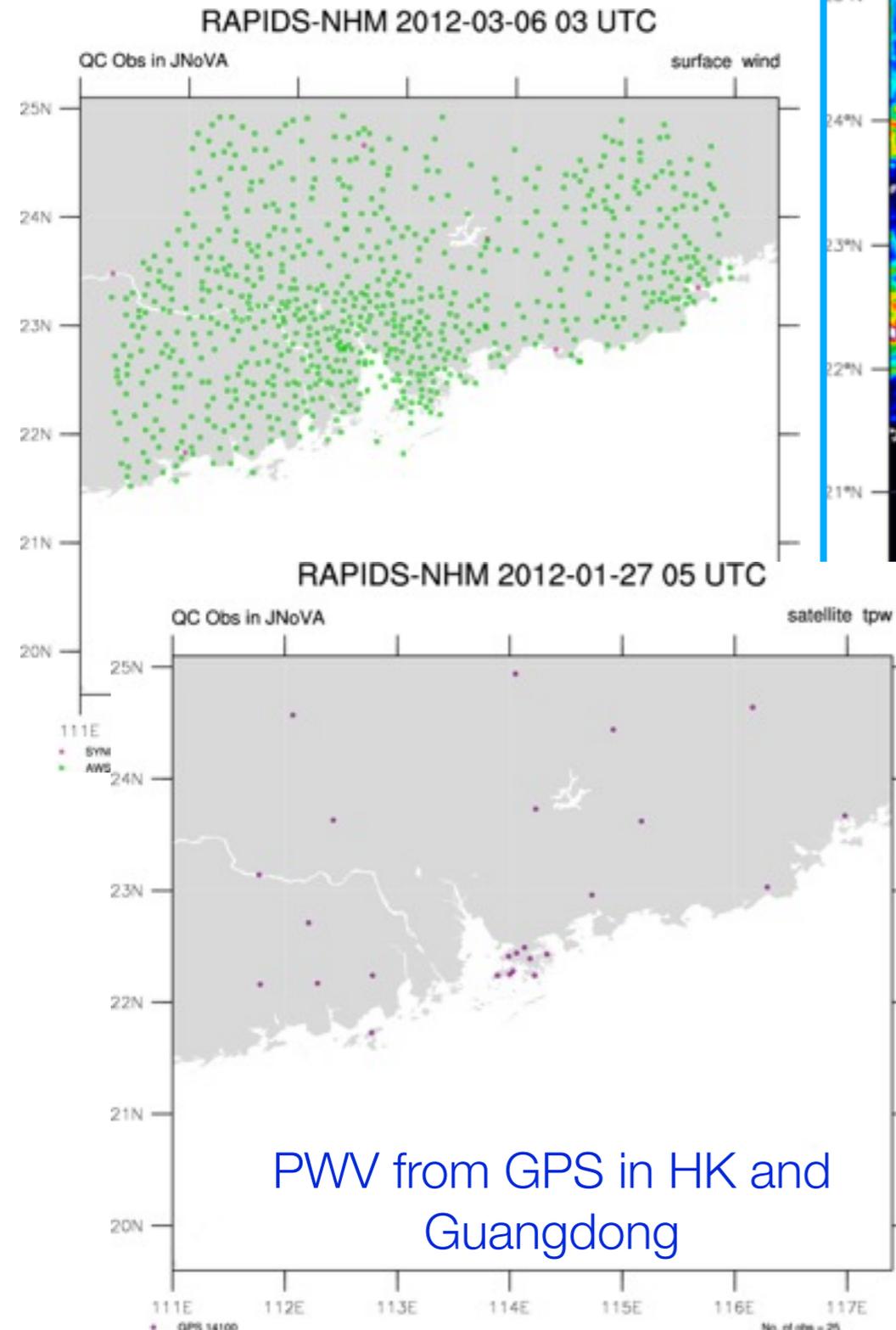
RAPIDS-NHM Terrain over Hong Kong



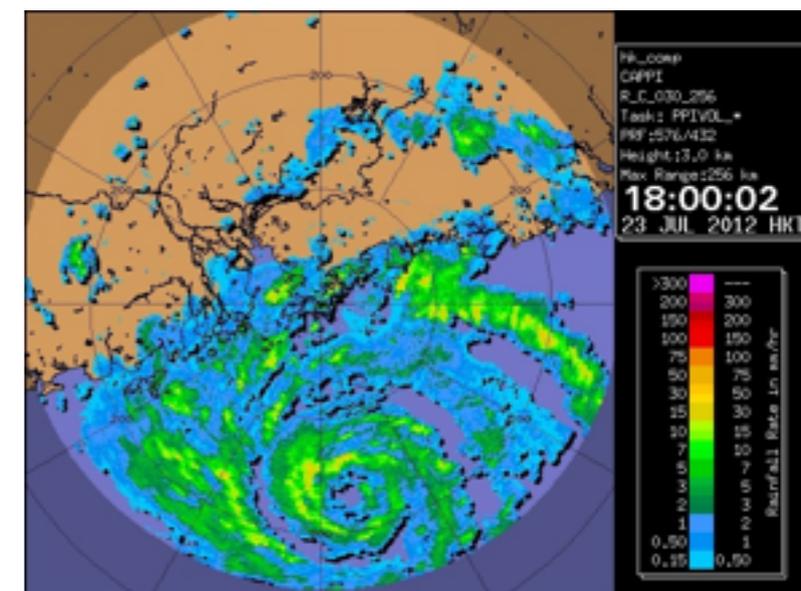
Data assimilation of observations from mesoscale observing network and remote sensing platforms

Surface observations from HK and Guangdong AWS network

Doppler wind and retrieval wind data from HK and GD radars



Storm resolving NWP
2 km resolution RAPIDS-NHM
3DVAR analysis
Hourly update



Targets of AIR/NHM

- Mesoscale analysis
- Quantitative precipitation forecasts (QPF)
- Tropical Cyclones
 - Track and intensity
 - High wind areas
- Other applications
 - Aviation specific

Applications

- Hourly mesoscale analysis based on RAPIDS-NHM 3DVAR
- A more optimal use of rapidly-update QPF from Meso-NHM and RAPIDS-NHM
- Forecasting of high wind in tropical cyclone situations

RAPIDS-NHM Hourly Analysis

Analysis products on surface and upper levels based on RAPIDS-NHM 3DVAR outputs

(horizontal resolution = 2 km)

RAPIDS-NHM Hourly Analysis

Version 1.0
Release date: 2011-07-14

Date of Analysis (UTC):

Scheduled product update at T+50 min

<< click to pause update

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	Wind + RH (+ KI on 850hPa)	Moisture Transport + MFC	Wind + Isotach	Wind + EPT
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2012-04-12 06:00 UTC

RAPIDS-NHM
Slc wind + K-index (K,colour) +
MU-CAPE (J/kg,contour)

Analysis on surface

Moisture transport and moisture flux convergence analysis on 850 hPa

RAPIDS-NHM Hourly Analysis

Version 1.01

Release date: 2012-07-12

Date of Analysis (UTC): 20121205

Scheduled product update at T+50 min

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Upper levels

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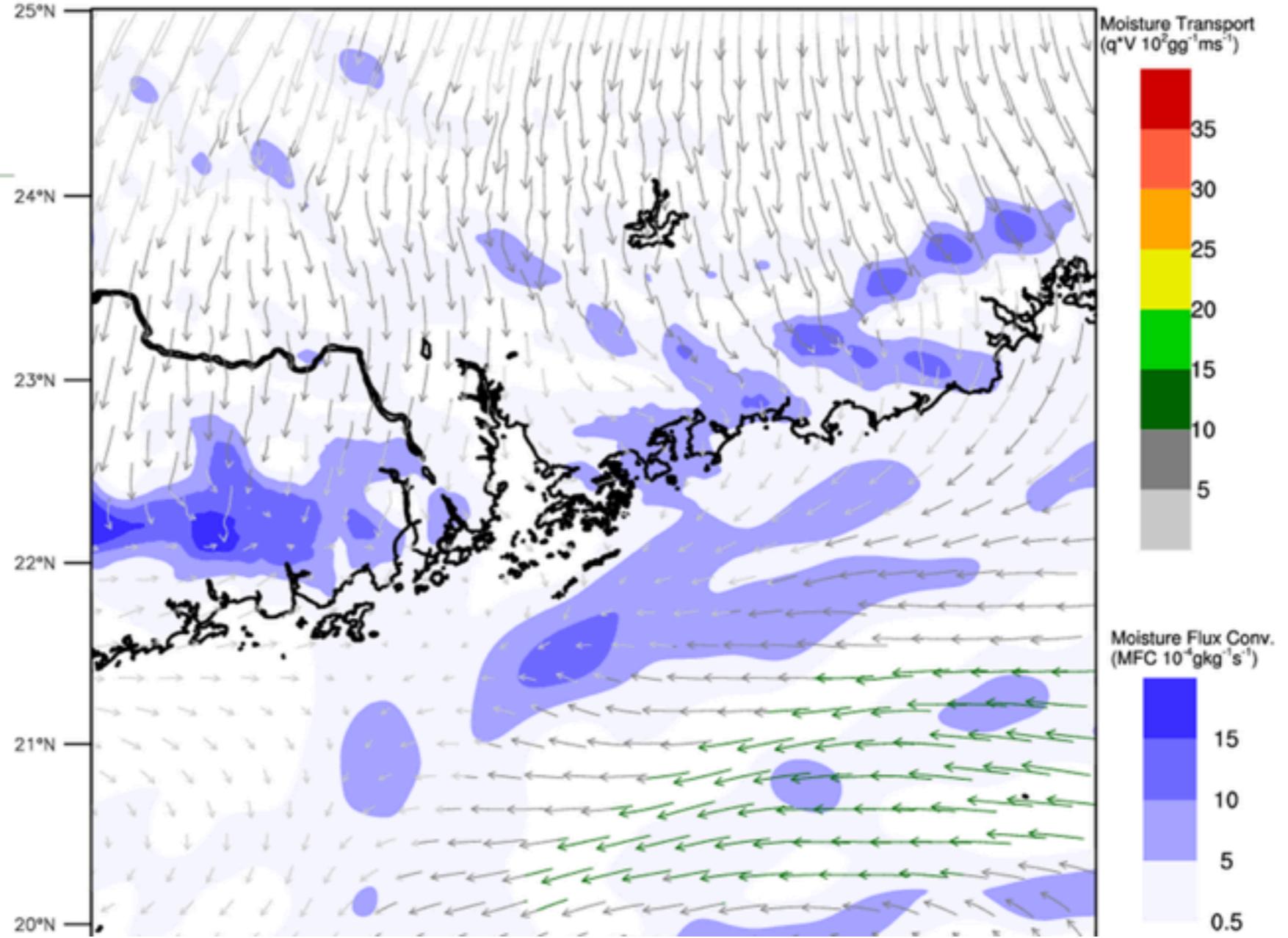
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RAPIDS-NHM

Moisture Transport (colored vectors) +
Moisture Flux Convergence (color fill)

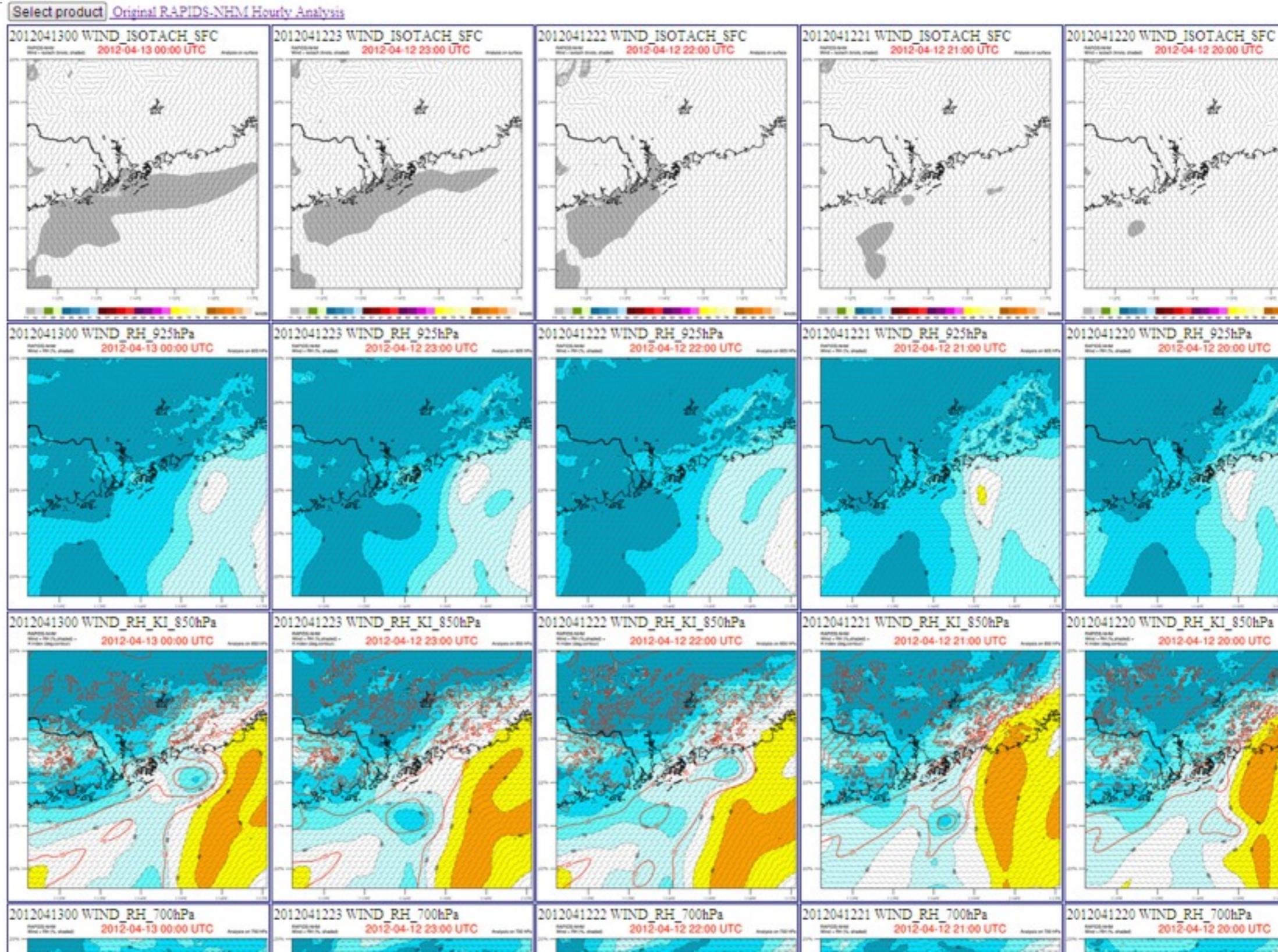
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Analysis on 850 hPa



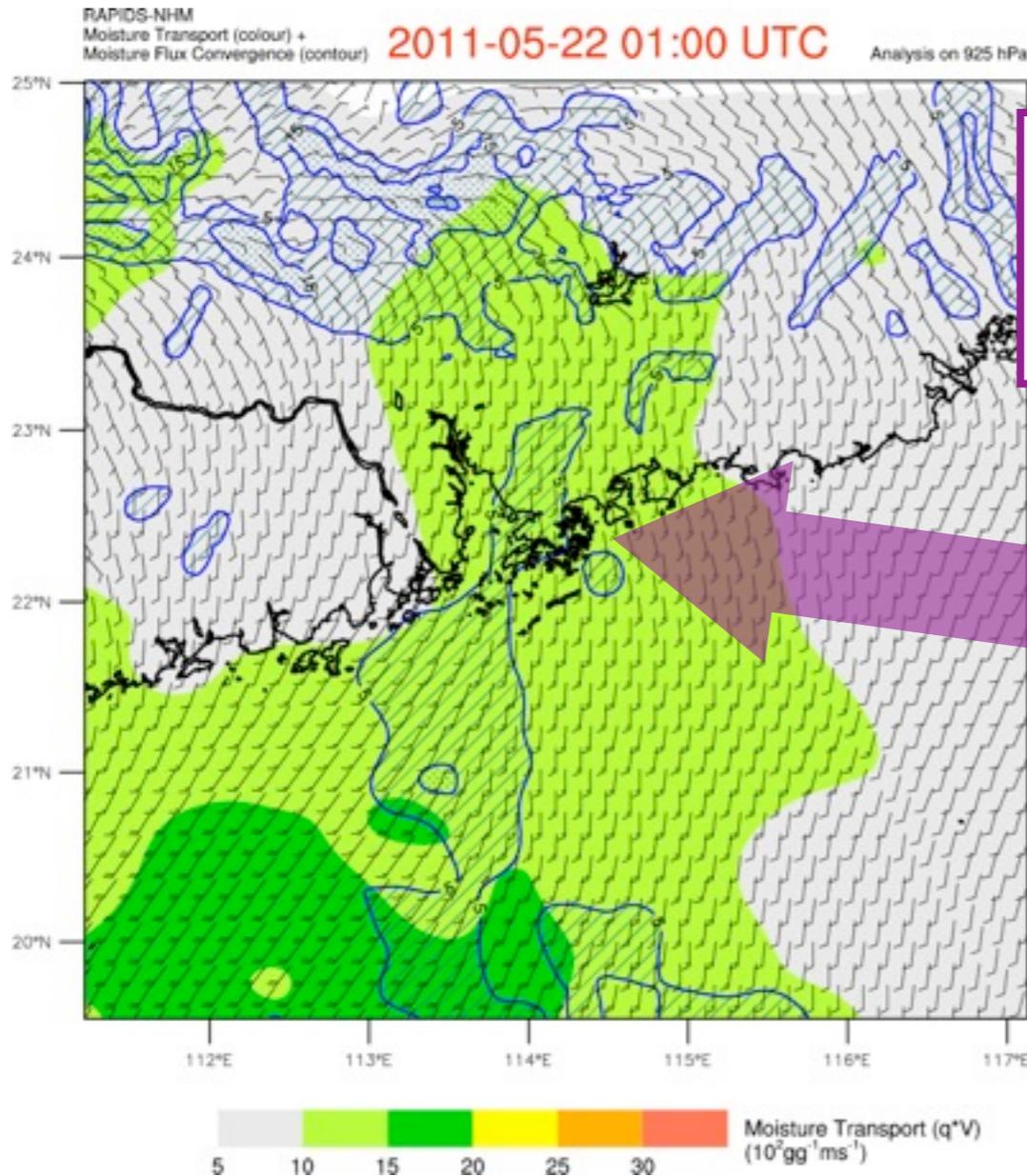
Stamp Map Display showing the analysis over the last few hours

Rows of product display can be customized!

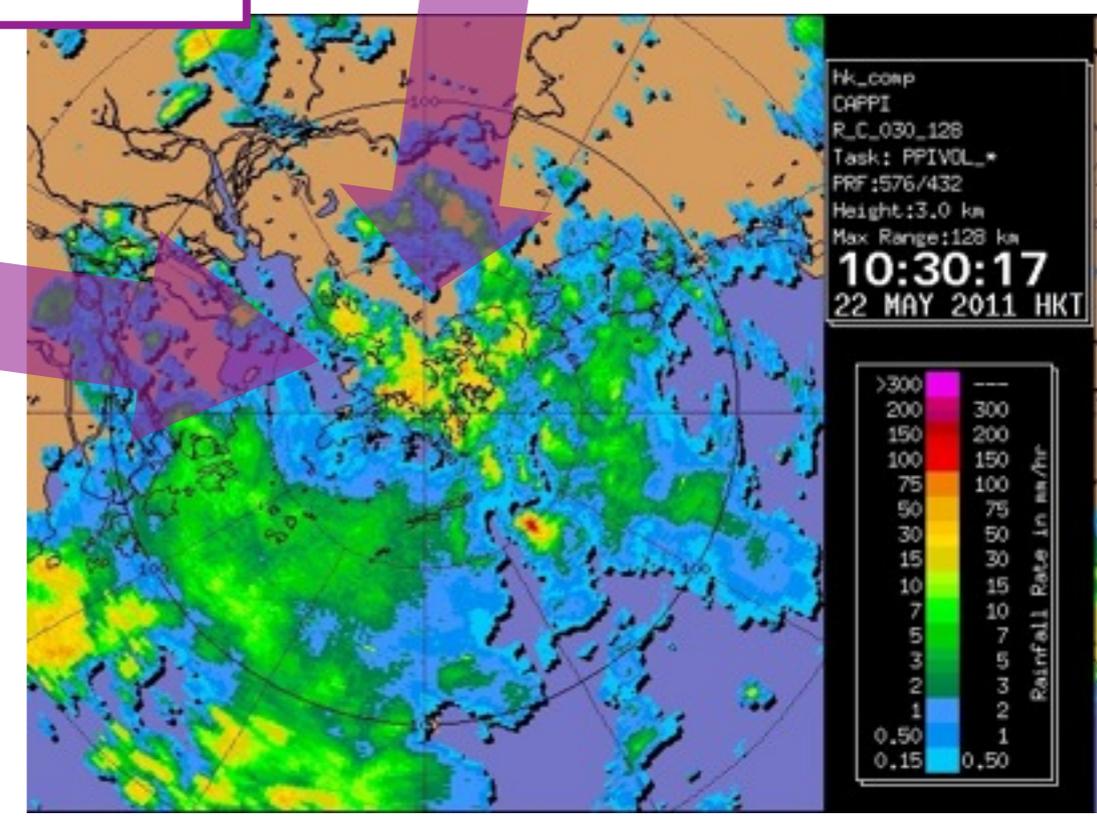
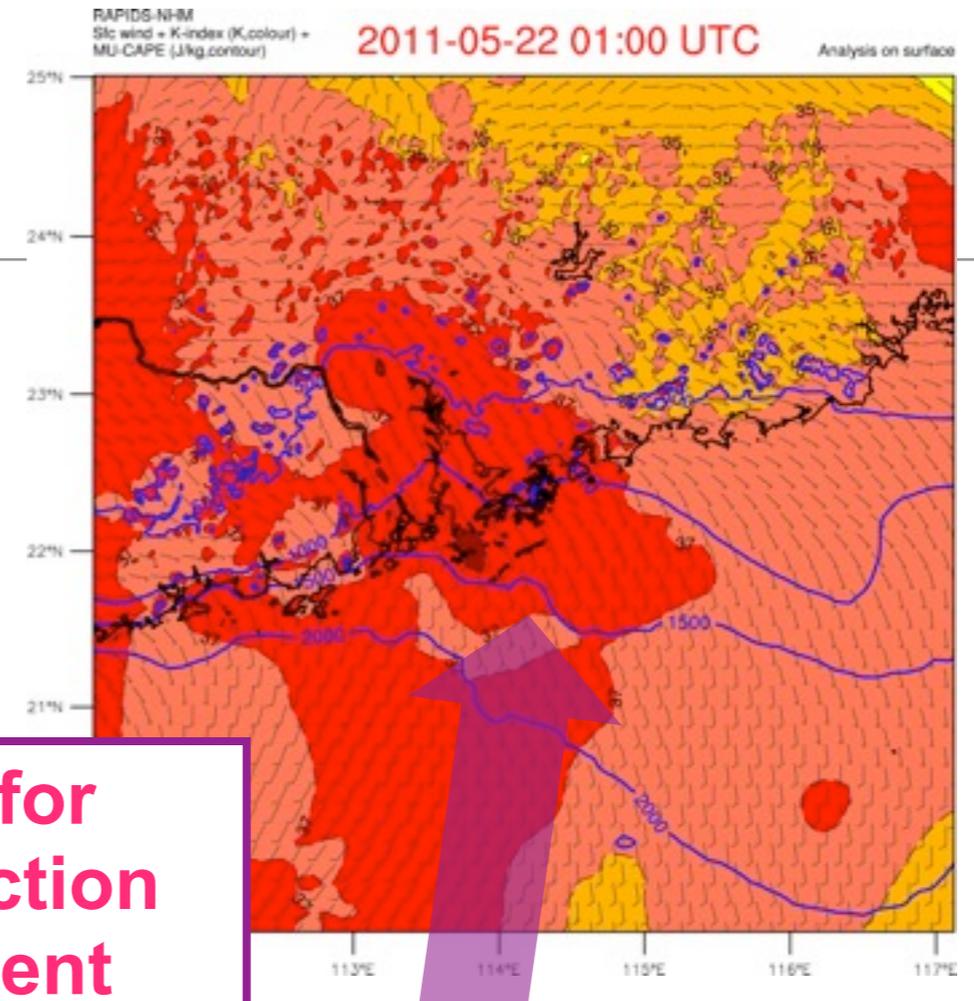


Hourly Meso-scale Analysis using RAPIDS-NHM

Moisture flux ($q \cdot V$ in color) and
Moisture flux convergence (hatched contour)



Potential for
Sig. Convection
Development



Stability indices

▣ K-index:

$$\text{K} = T(850) + Td(850) - T(500) - [T - Td(700)]$$

- ▣ a measure of thunderstorm potential based on the vertical temperature lapse rate, including amount and vertical extent of low-level moisture in the atmosphere

▣ CAPE (Convective Available Potential Energy):

$$\text{CAPE} = g * \sum[(T_{\text{parcel}} - T_{\text{env}}) / T_{\text{env}}] dz$$

- ▣ Summation is taken from level of free convection (LFC) to equilibrium level (EL)
- ▣ amount of buoyant energy available to accelerate a parcel vertically

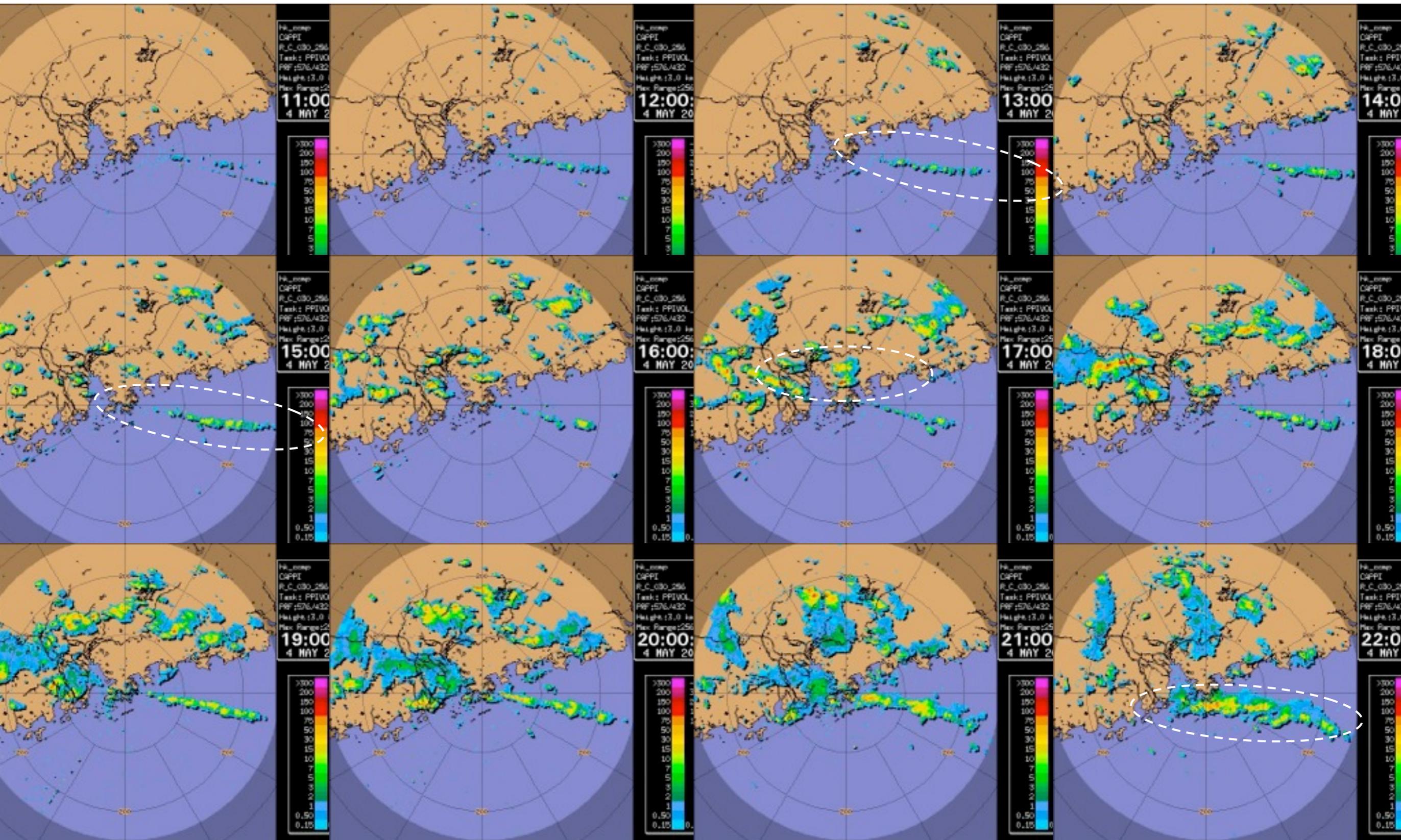
▣ CIN (Convective Inhibition):

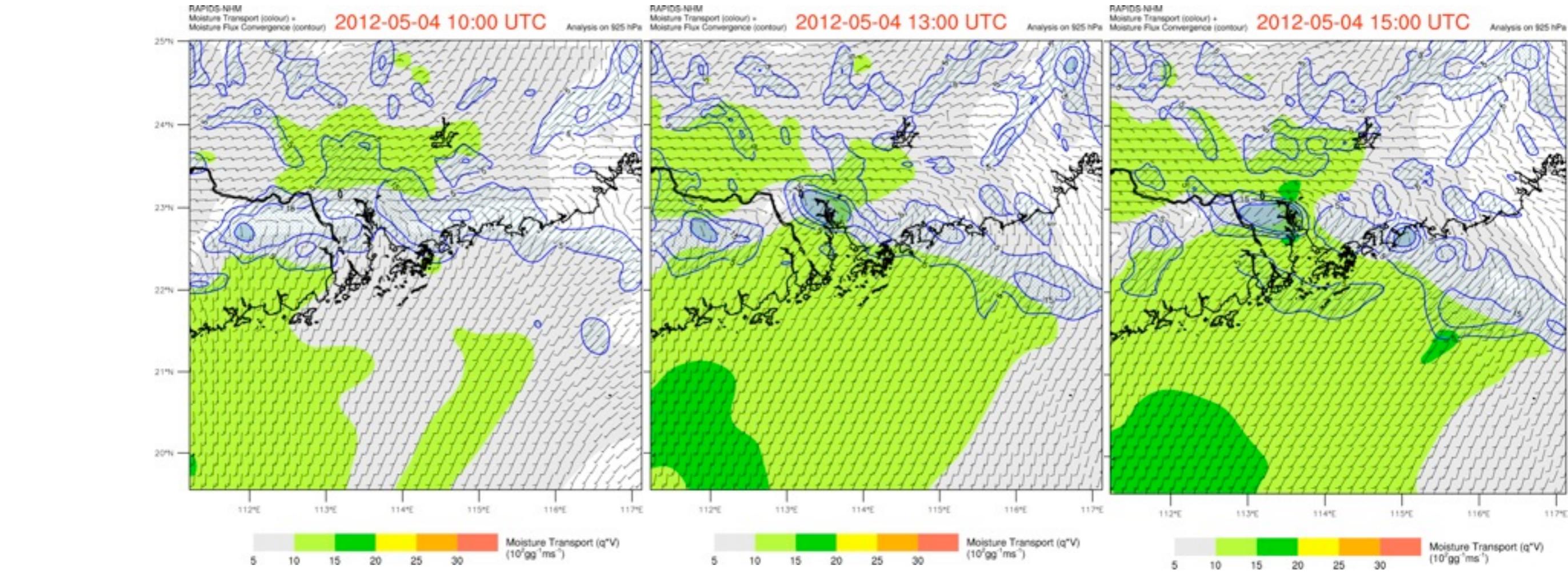
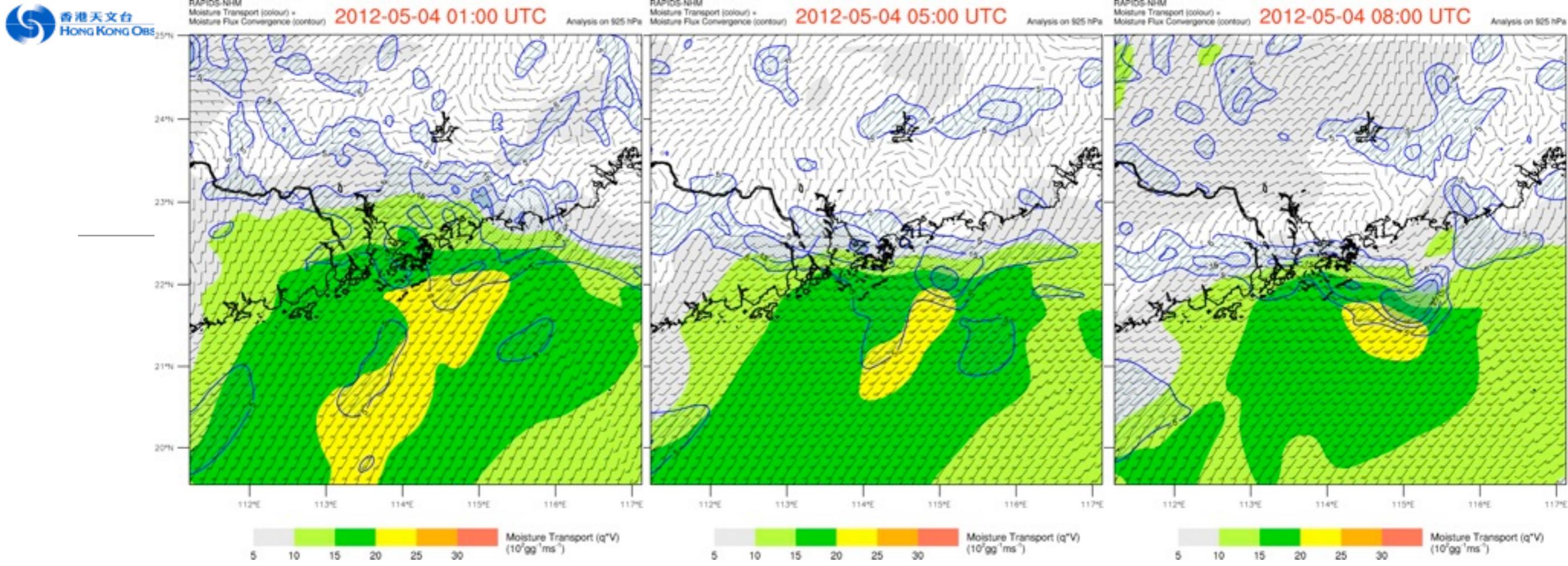
- ▣ basically an opposite of CAPE, and represents the -ve energy area on the sounding where the parcel temperature is cooler than that of the environment.
- ▣ smaller (larger) the CIN is, the weaker (stronger) must be the amount of synoptic and mesoscale forced lift to bring the parcel to its LFC

▣ Further reference:

- ▣ <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/lmk/soo/docu/indices.php>

Case (2012-05-04)





Moisture Flux Convergence (MFC) as a 'proxy' to inspect the source and change in moisture

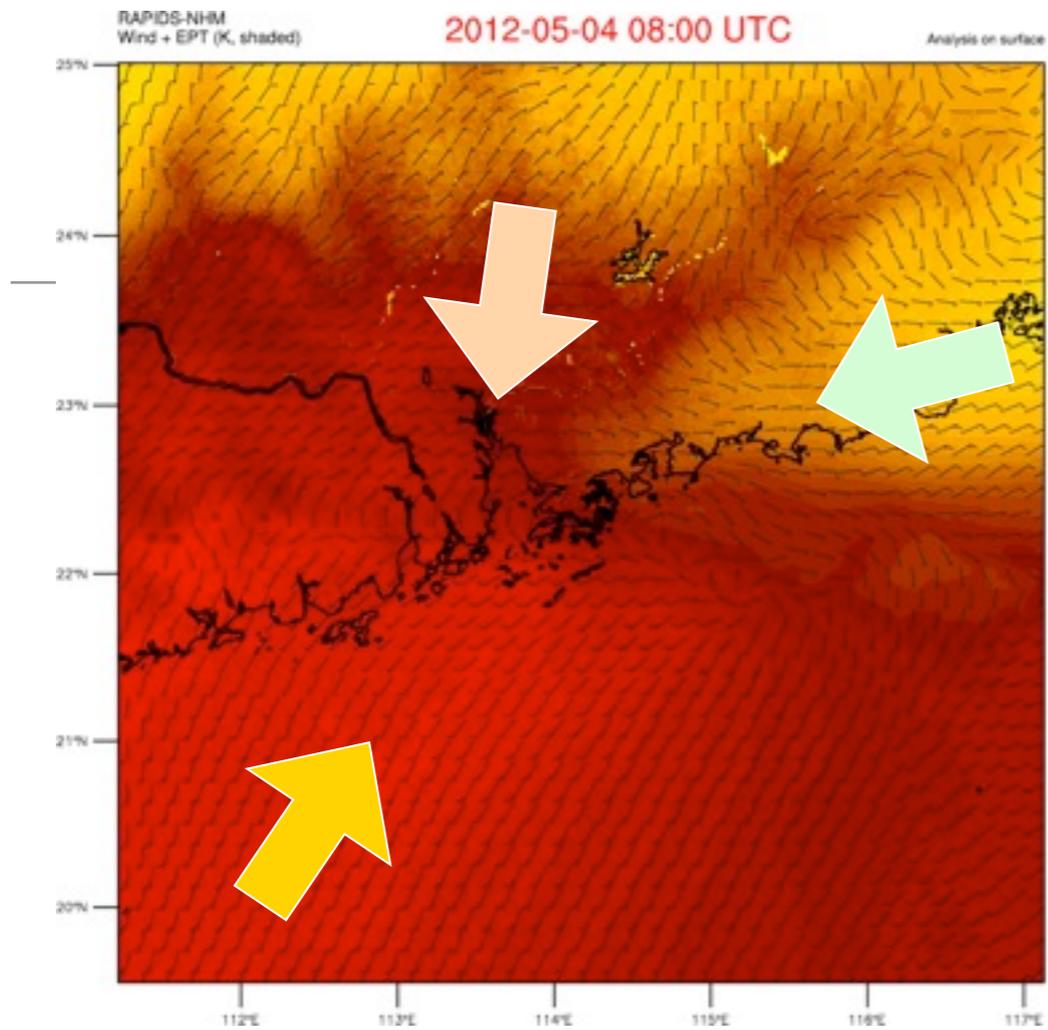
Moisture flux convergence (MFC)

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial q}{\partial t}}_{\text{local rate of change of } q} + \underbrace{\nabla \cdot (q \mathbf{V}_h)}_{\text{horizontal MFC}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial p}(q \omega)}_{\text{vertical MFC}} = \underbrace{E - P}_{\text{sources and sinks}}$$

$$\text{MFC} = \underbrace{-u \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} - v \frac{\partial q}{\partial y}}_{\text{advection term}} - \underbrace{q \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right)}_{\text{convergence term}}$$

synoptic scale precipitation amount P can be estimated from:

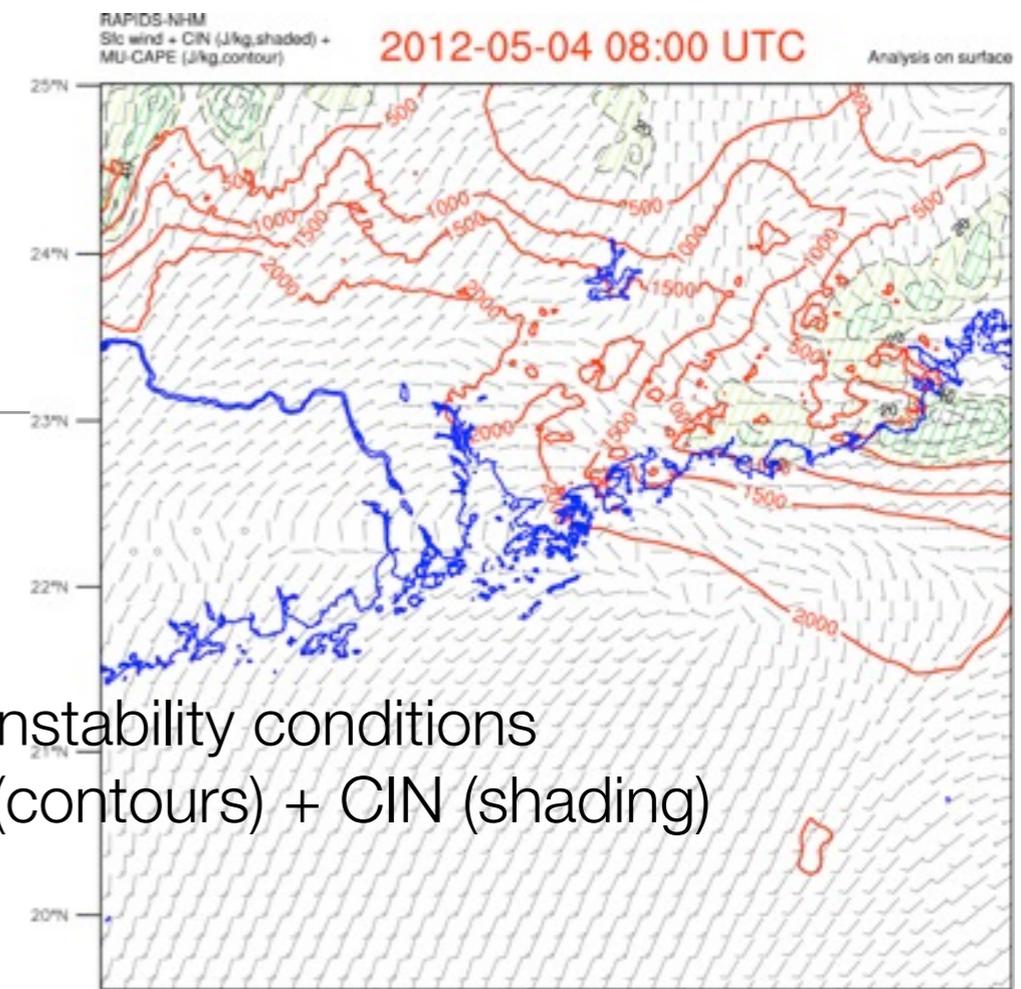
$$\overline{P} \approx -\frac{1}{g} \int_0^{p^s} q \nabla \cdot \mathbf{V}_h dp$$



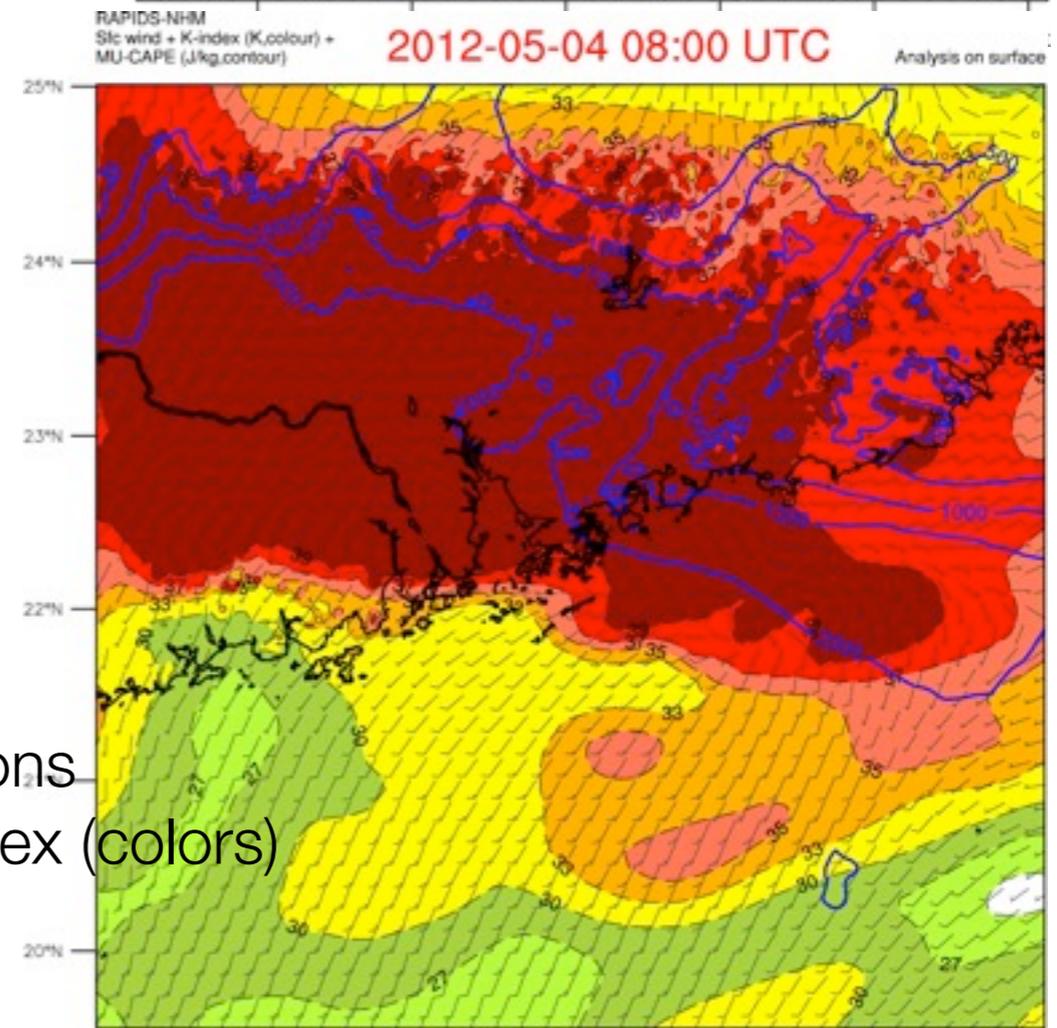
Surface θ_e (colors) showing boundaries of air masses



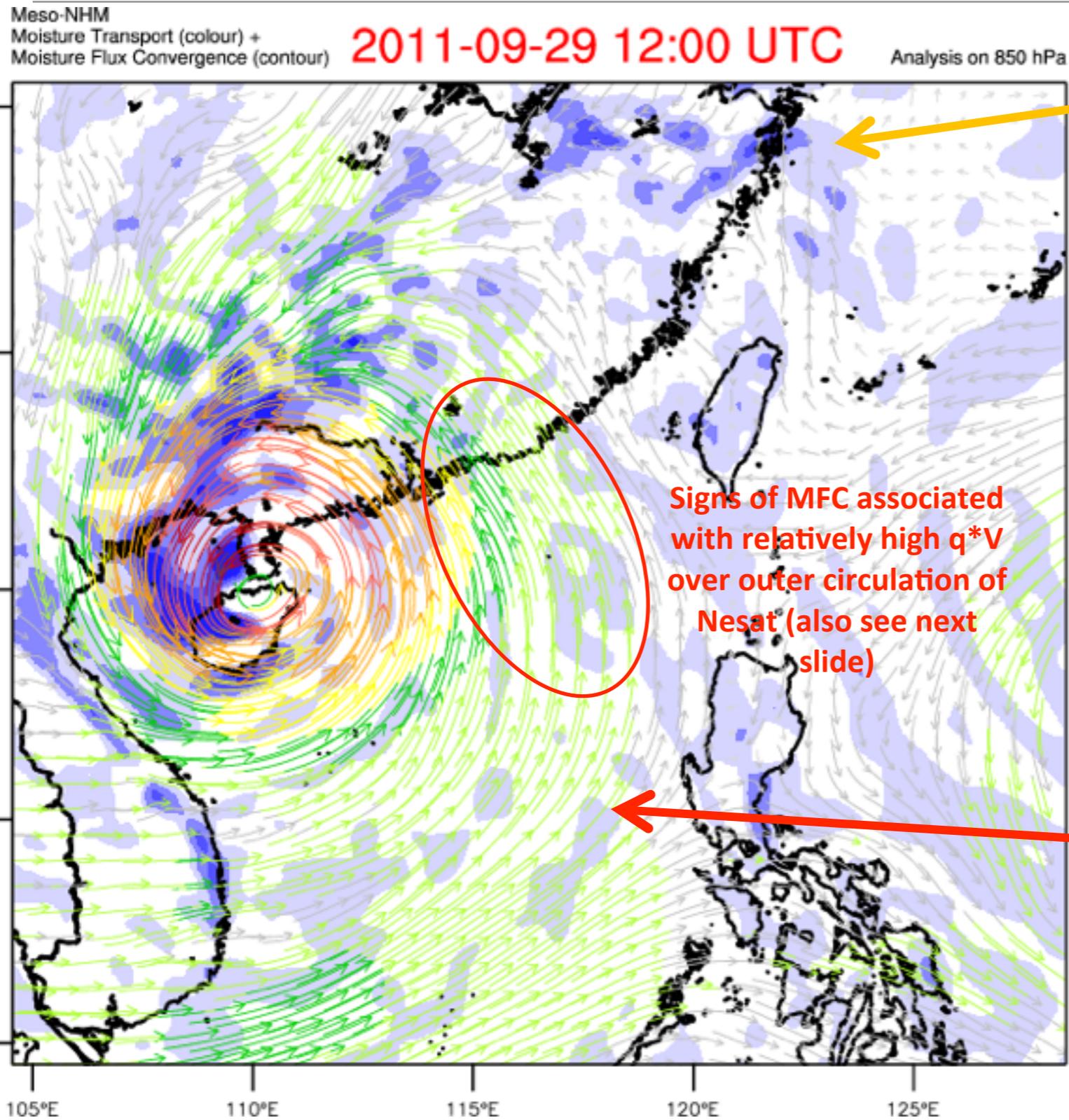
Instability conditions
CAPE (contours) + CIN (shading)



Instability conditions
CAPE (contours) + K-index (colors)



Moisture Transport and Flux Convergence in tropical cyclone case

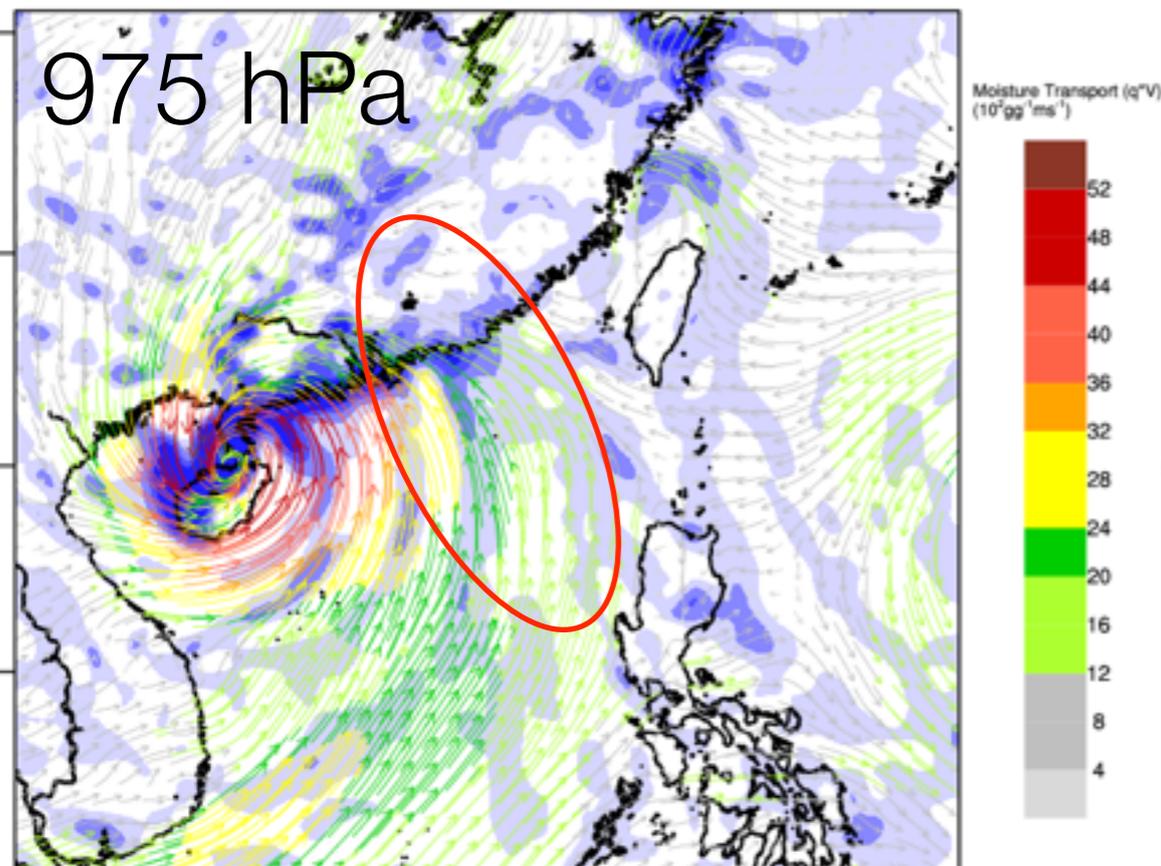


Blue shading denoting moisture flux convergence

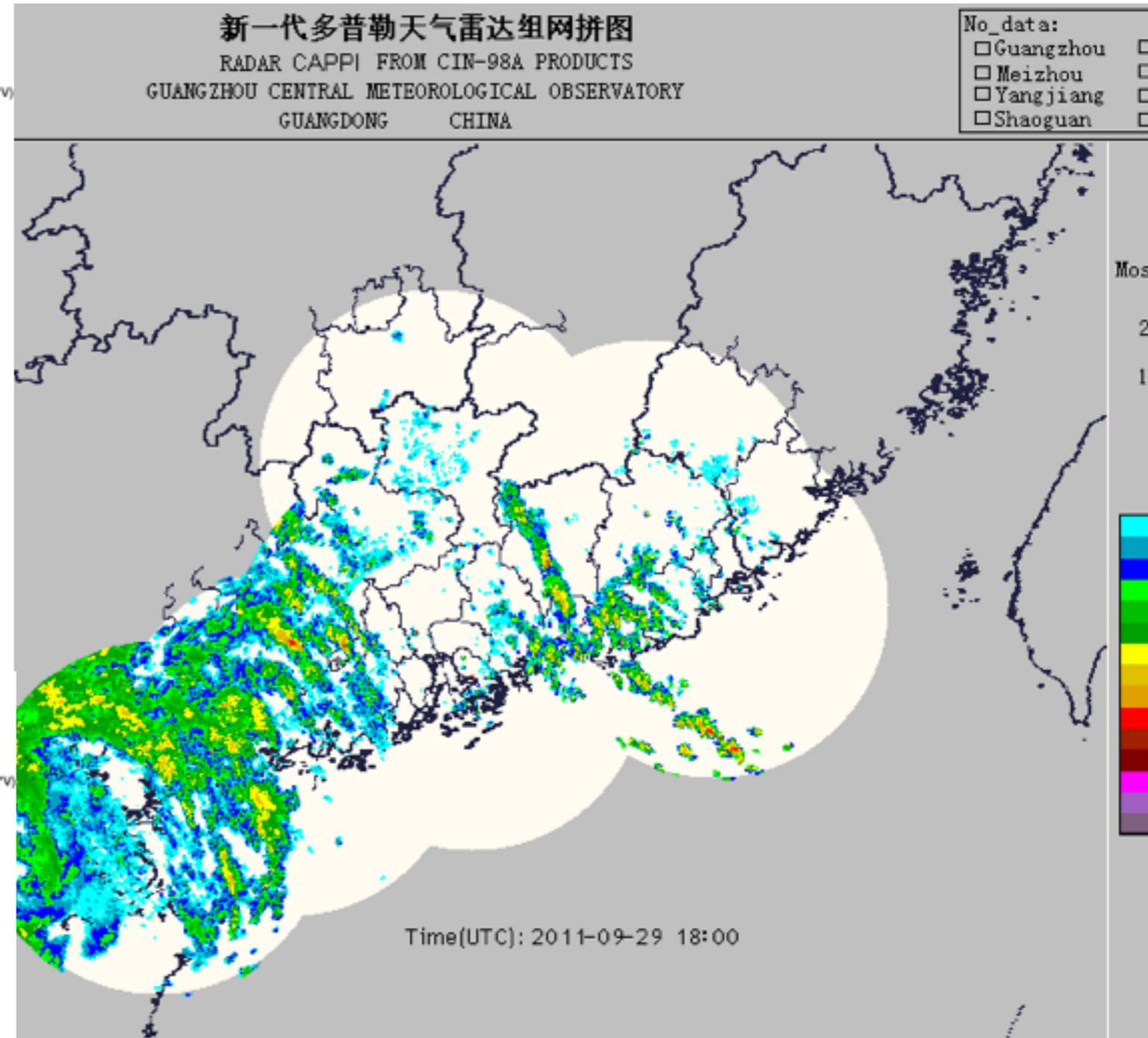
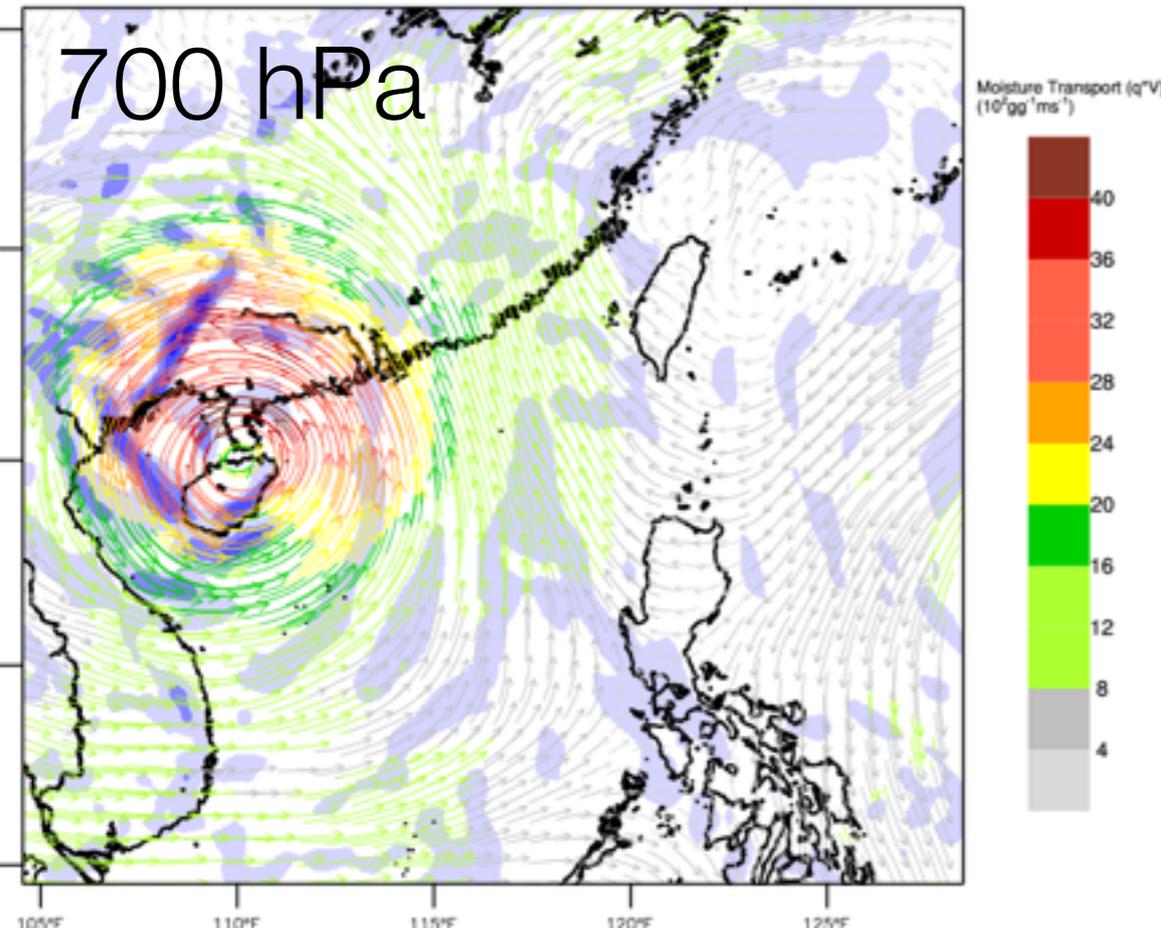
Signs of MFC associated with relatively high q^*V over outer circulation of Nesat (also see next slide)

Colored vectors representing moisture transport (q^*V)

Meso-NHM
Moisture Transport (colour) +
Moisture Flux Convergence (contour) 2011-09-29 12:00 UTC Analysis on 975 hPa

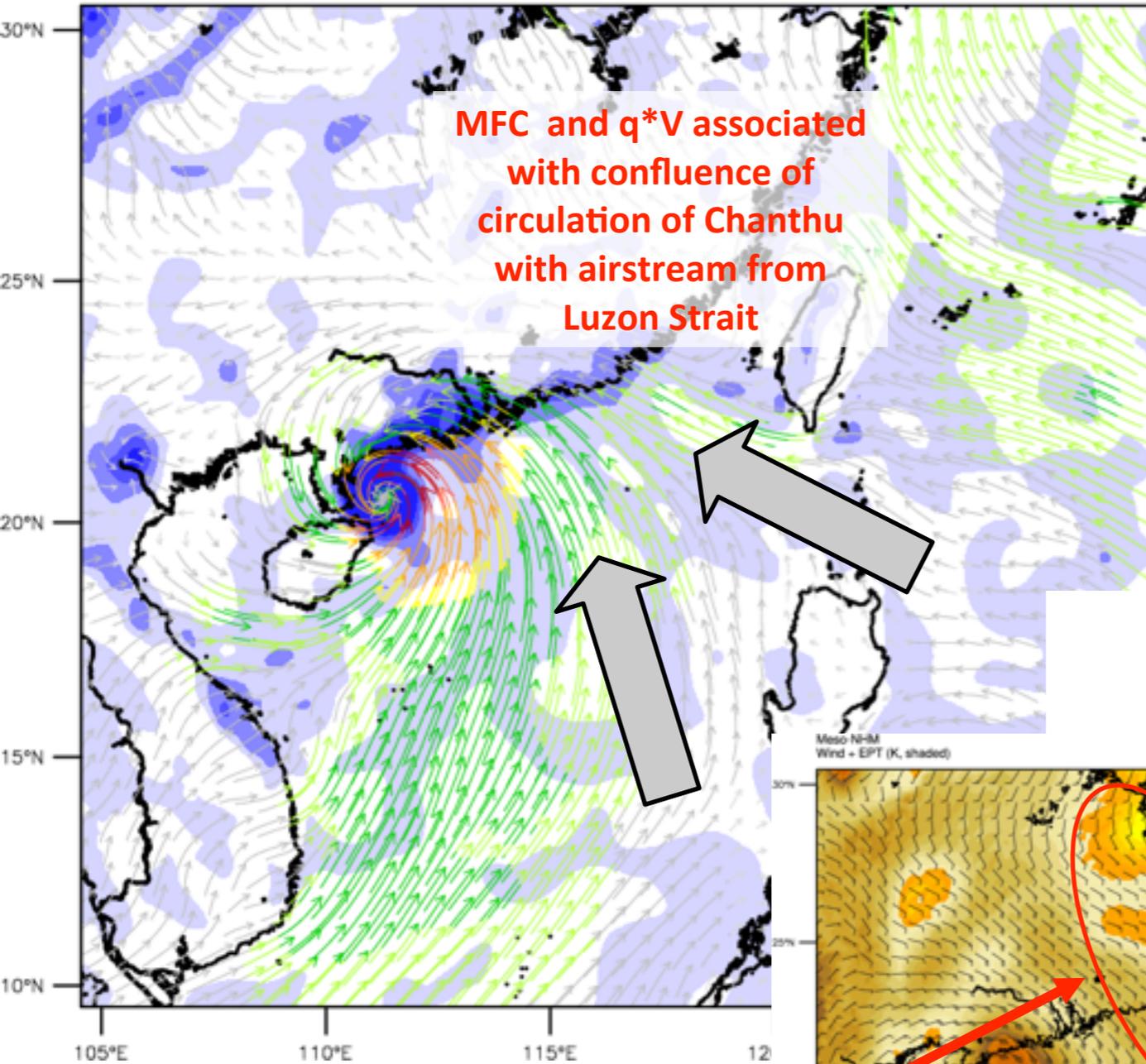


Meso-NHM
Moisture Transport (colour) +
Moisture Flux Convergence (contour) 2011-09-29 12:00 UTC Analysis on 700 hPa

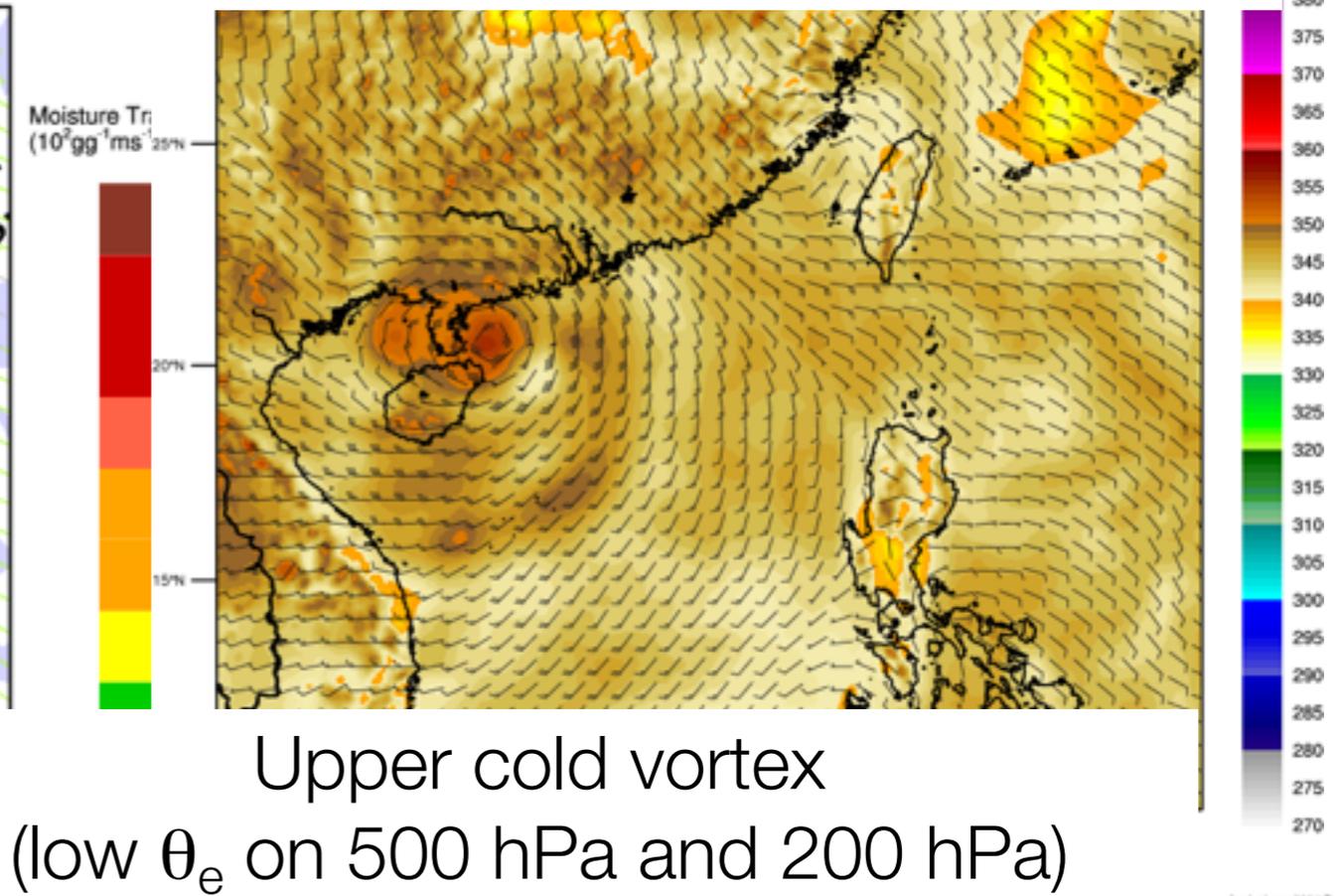


Chanthu (re-visited)

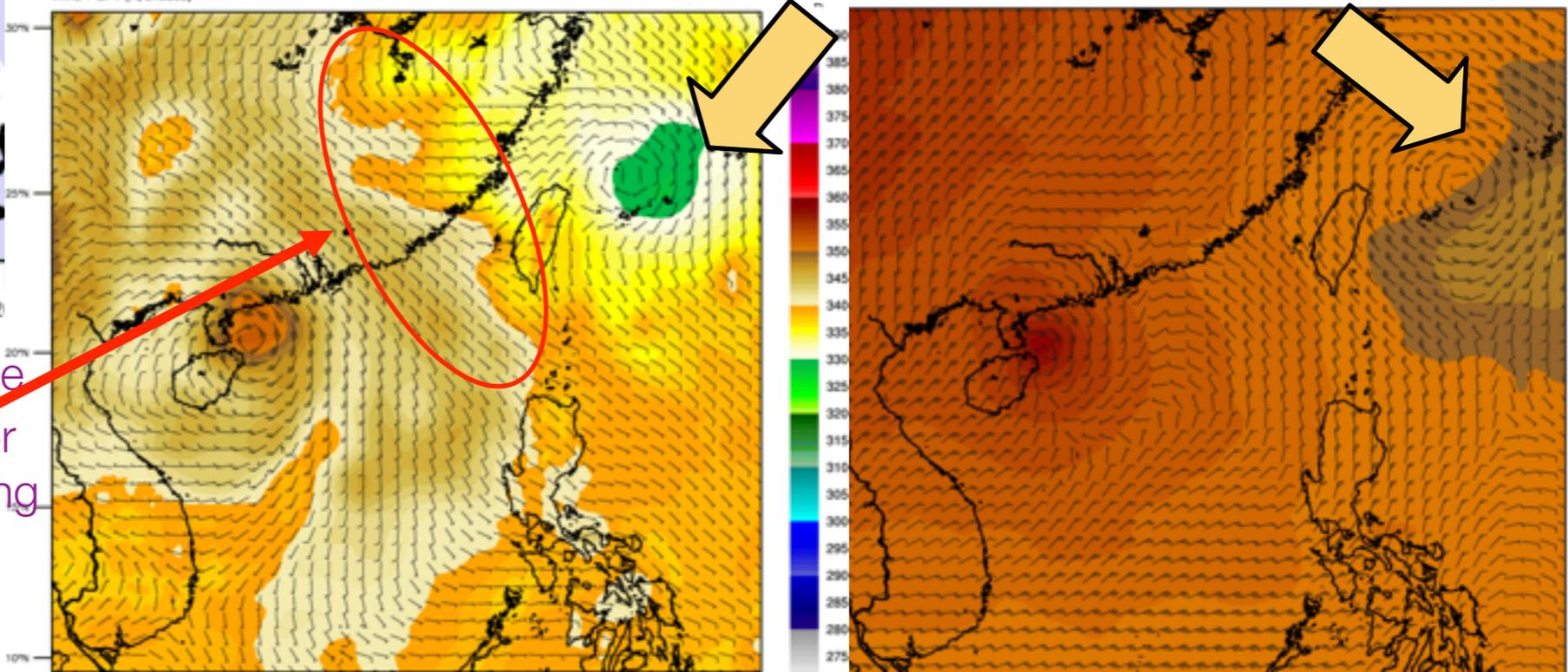
Meso-NHM
Moisture Transport (colour) +
Moisture Flux Convergence (contour) **2010-07-22 00:00 UTC** Analysis on 975 hPa



Equivalent potential temperature (θ_e) on 850 hPa



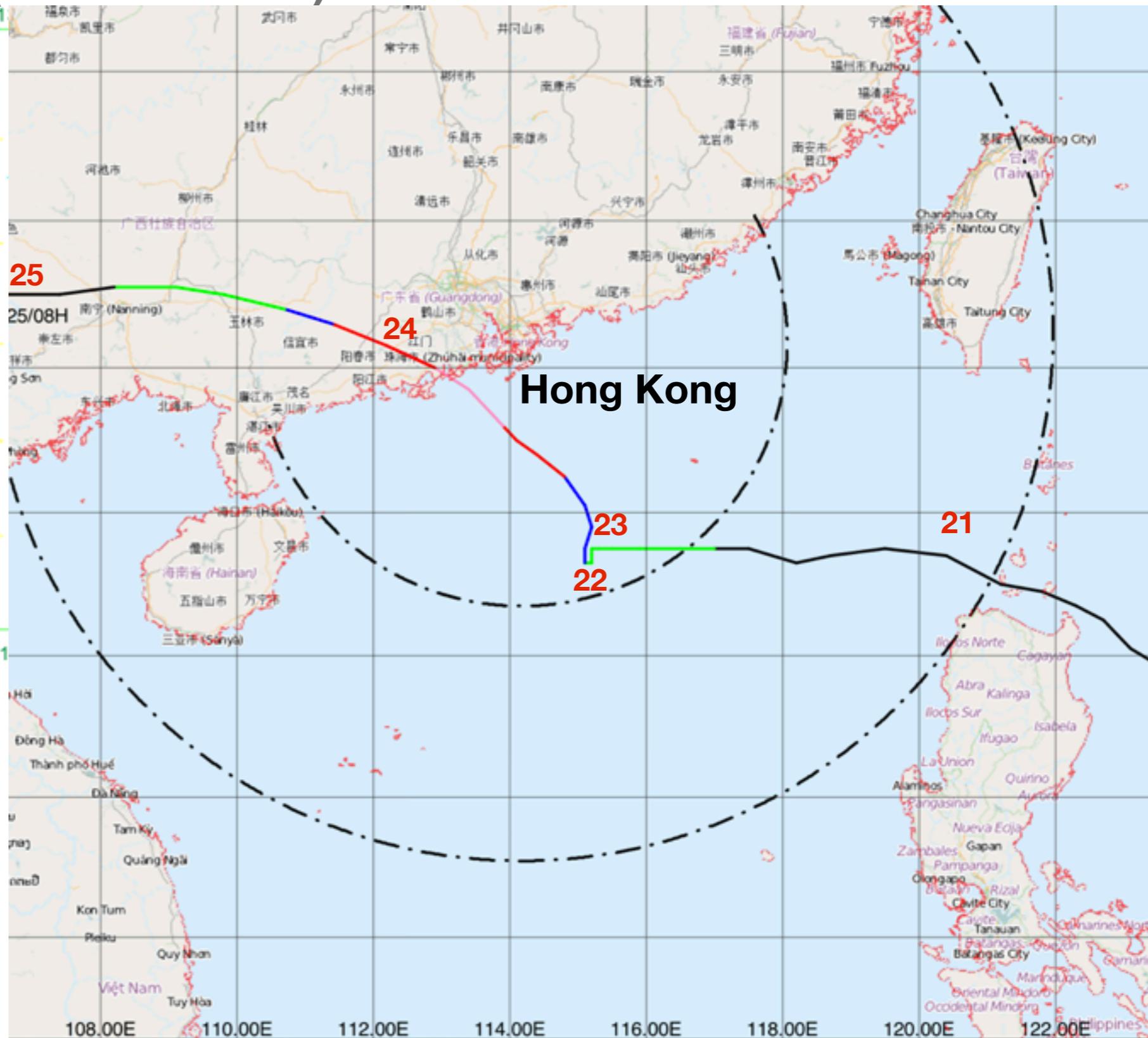
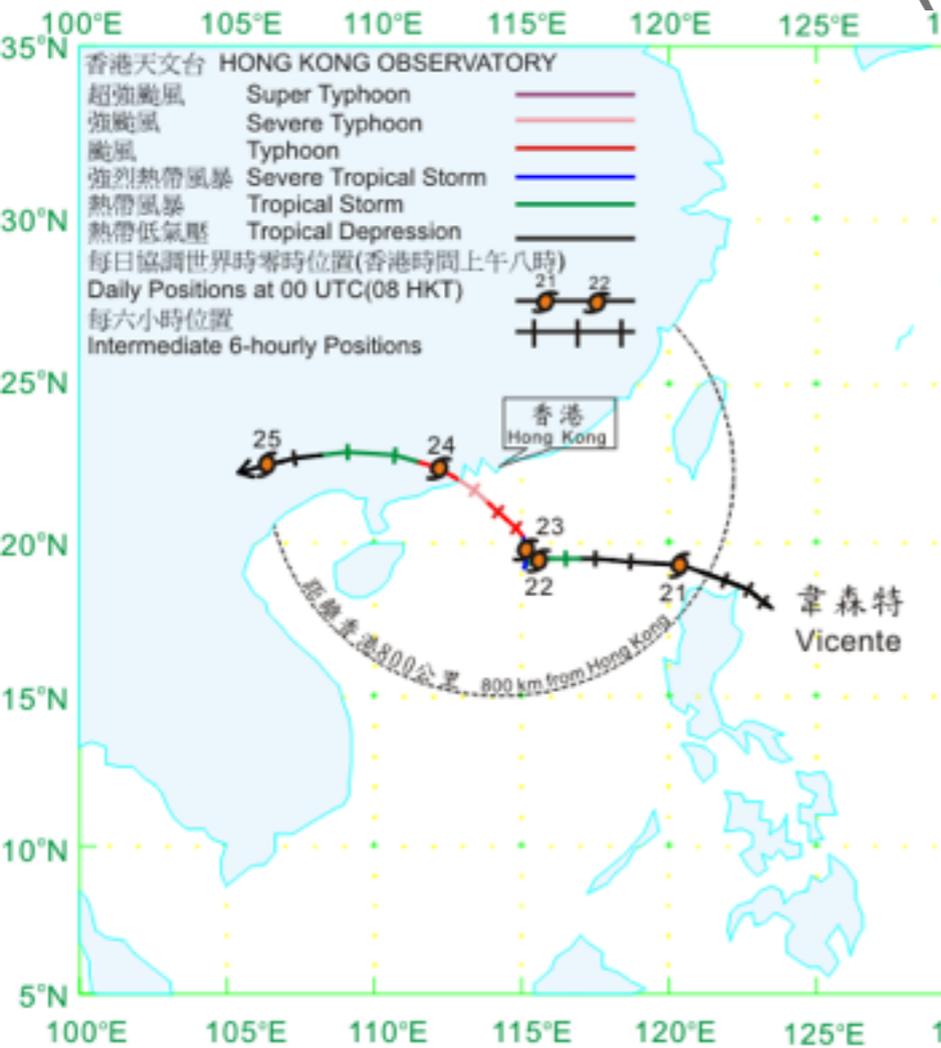
Lower θ_e aloft enhanced convective instability and a favorable factor for intense rainband development during the day on 22 July 2010



NHM in TC forecasting

Severe Typhoon Vicente
20-25 July 2012

• ST Vicente (Jul 2012)



A multi-model scenarios on daily rainfall Forecast from 2012-07-21 12 UTC

global models
and
EPS

regional
models

Quantitative Precipitation Forecast (QPF) Summary Table

Select Cycle Run

Year :
Month :
Day :
UTC :

Day of F/C

- Day 1
- Day 2
- Day 3
- Day 4
- Day 5
- Day 6
- Day 7

Table 1. Summary of QPF of Global Models for 23 Jul 2012 (MON)

Model	Product	Base Time		
		20/12 Z	21/00 Z	21/12 Z
Ensemble	Automatic Forecast	Showers (Moderate)	Showers (Moderate)	Showers (Moderate)
JMA	Automatic Forecast	Showers , heavy at first (Heavy)	Showers , heavy at first (Heavy)	Showers (Moderate)
	East grid	21 mm	29 mm	31 mm
	West grid	9 mm	14 mm	22 mm
ECMWF	Automatic Forecast	Showers (Moderate)	Showers , heavy later (Heavy)	Showers , heavy at first (Heavy)
	NW grid	5 mm	9 mm	19 mm
	SE grid	16 mm	28 mm	33 mm
NCEP	Grid Point (22 N,114 E)	N/A	N/A	N/A

Table 2. Summary of Regional Models for 23 Jul 2012 (MON)

Model	Product	Base Time		
		21/06 Z	21/12 Z	21/18 Z
Meso-NHM	Time Series	31 mm	23 mm	45 mm
MPIRSM 60-km	Time Series	2 mm	12 mm	12 mm
MPIRSM 20-km	Time Series	N/A	6 mm	7 mm
MPIRSM 60-km TLE Mean	Time Series	6 mm	9 mm	10 mm
MPIRSM 20-km TLE Mean	Time Series	6 mm	8 mm	19 mm

Legend :

	No Rain
	Light Rain : < 5 mm
	Moderate Rain (Lower) : 5 mm - 10 mm
	Moderate Rain (Higher) : 10 mm - 25 mm
	Heavy Rain : > 25 mm

Actual Conditions on 23 Jul 2012 :

Total rainfall (HKO) 112.0 mm
Average rainfall of 7 FCV rain gauges 105.1 mm

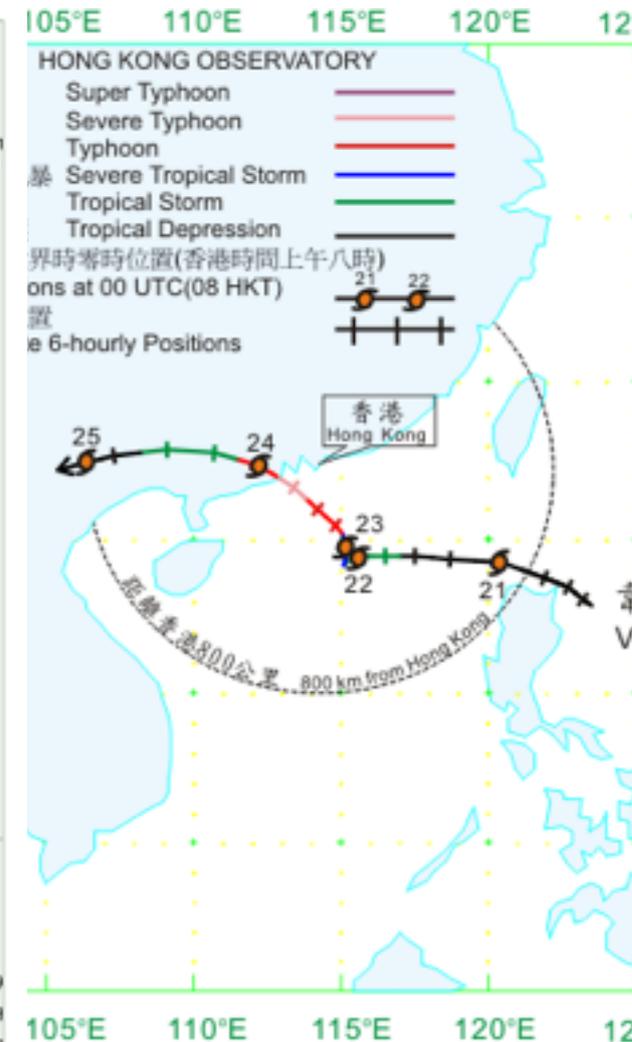
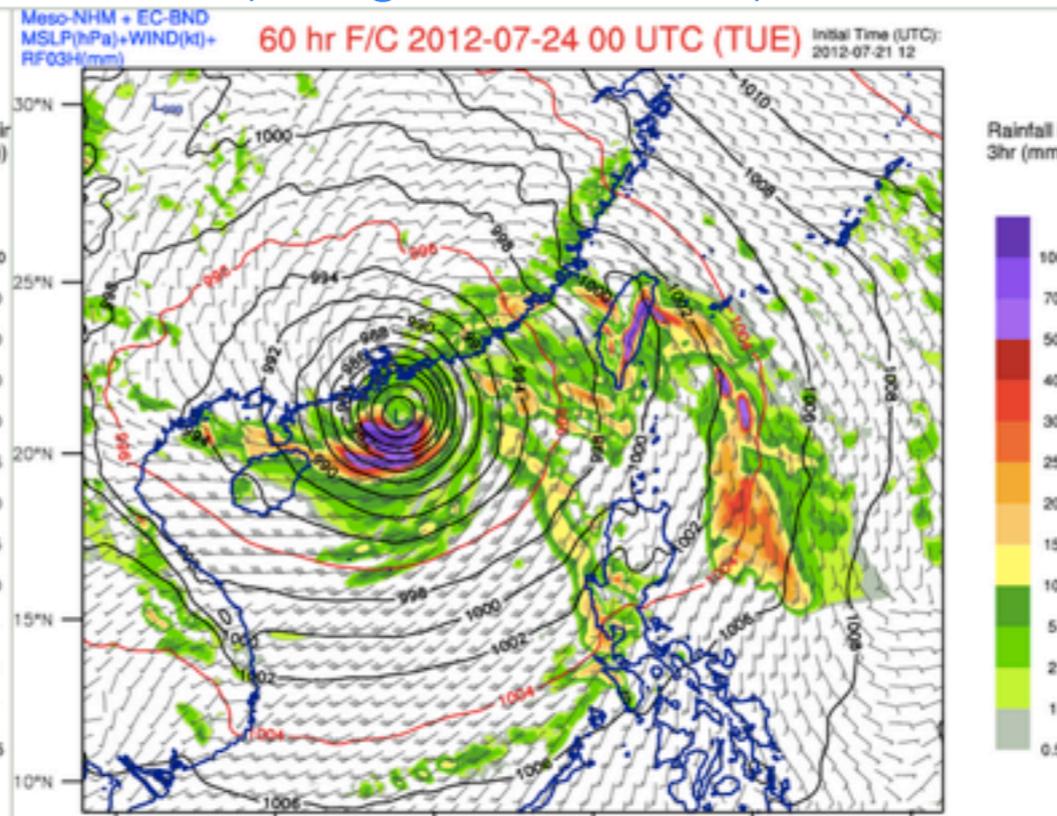
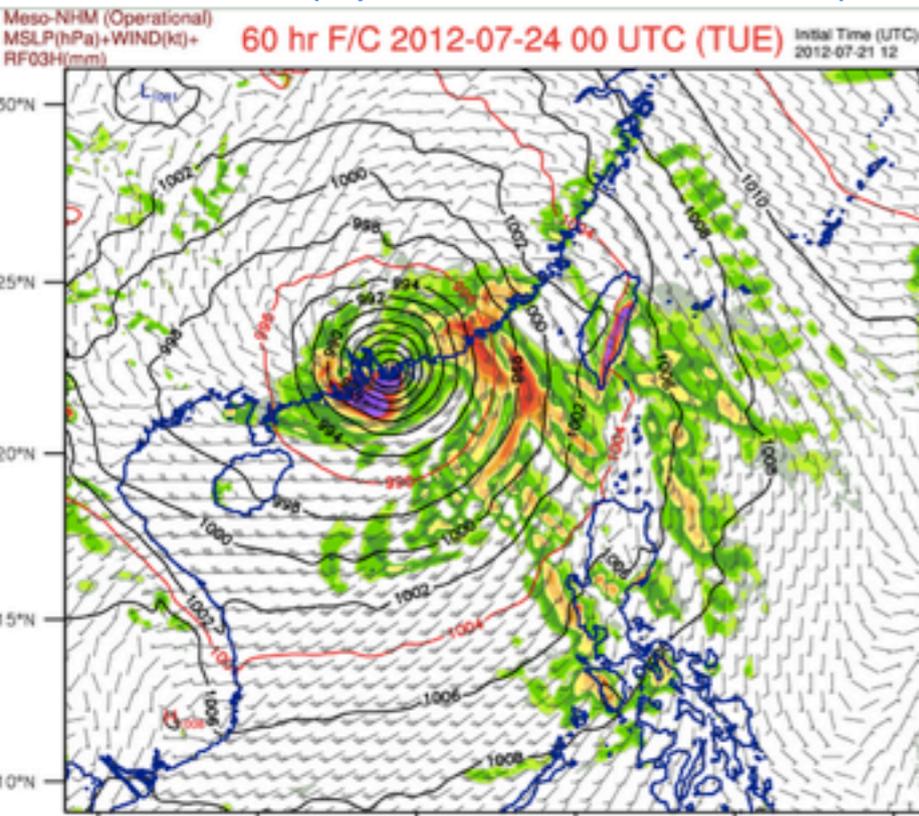
time-lagged ensemble

Quantitative Precipitation Forecasts (QPF)

Multi-model scenario (global vs. regional)

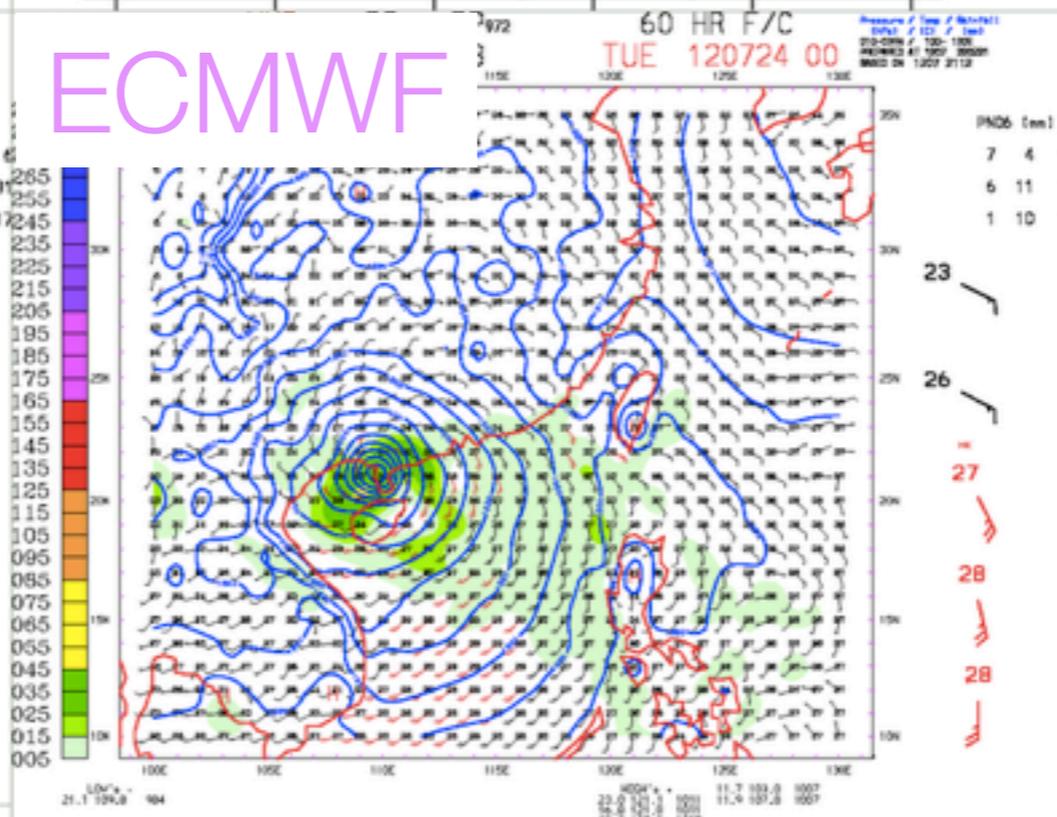
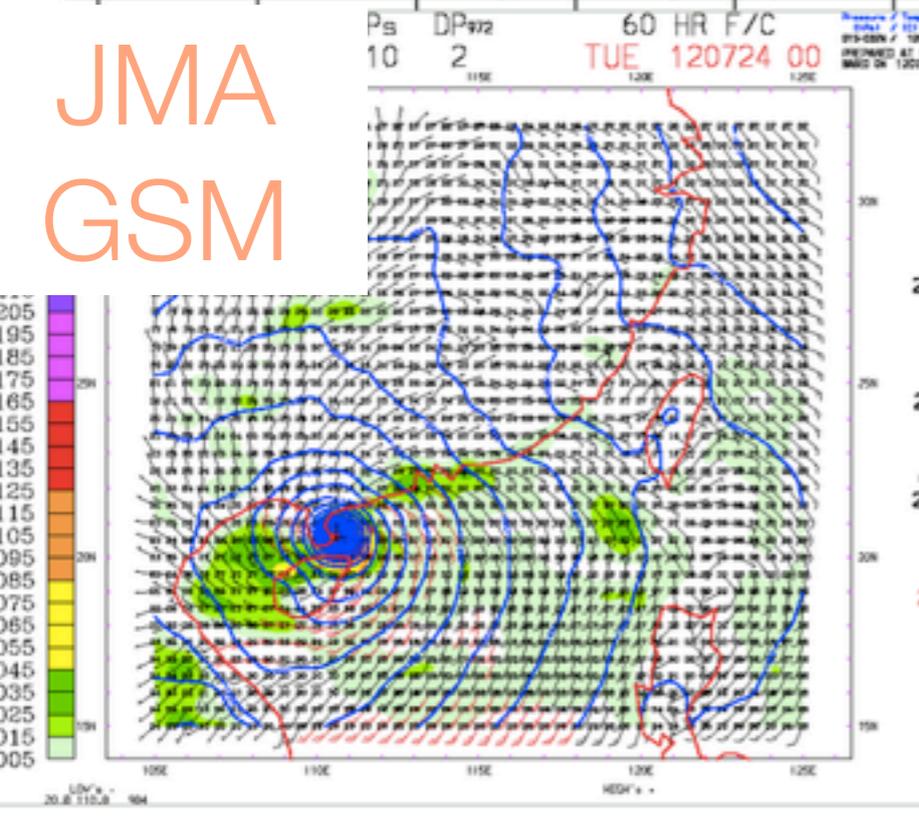
Meso-NHM
(operational version)

Meso-NHM
(using ECMWF BC)



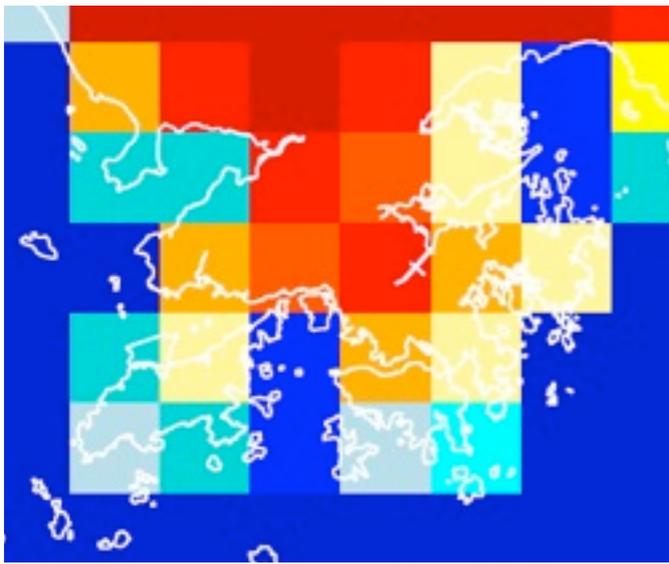
JMA
GSM

ECMWF

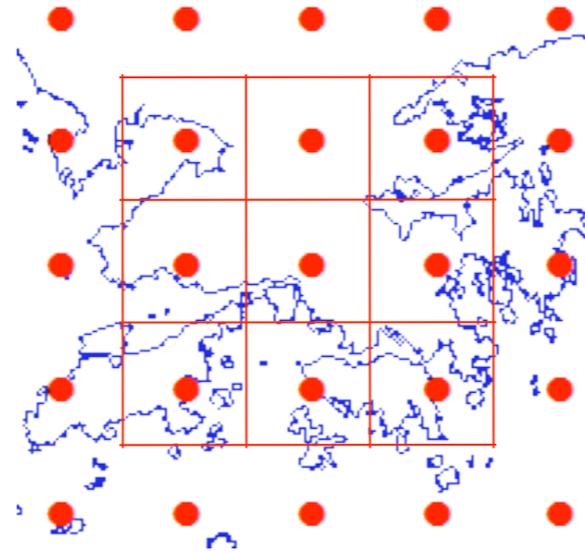


Assessment of model QPF performance over HK

Meso-NHM - all land boxes (~ 10 km)



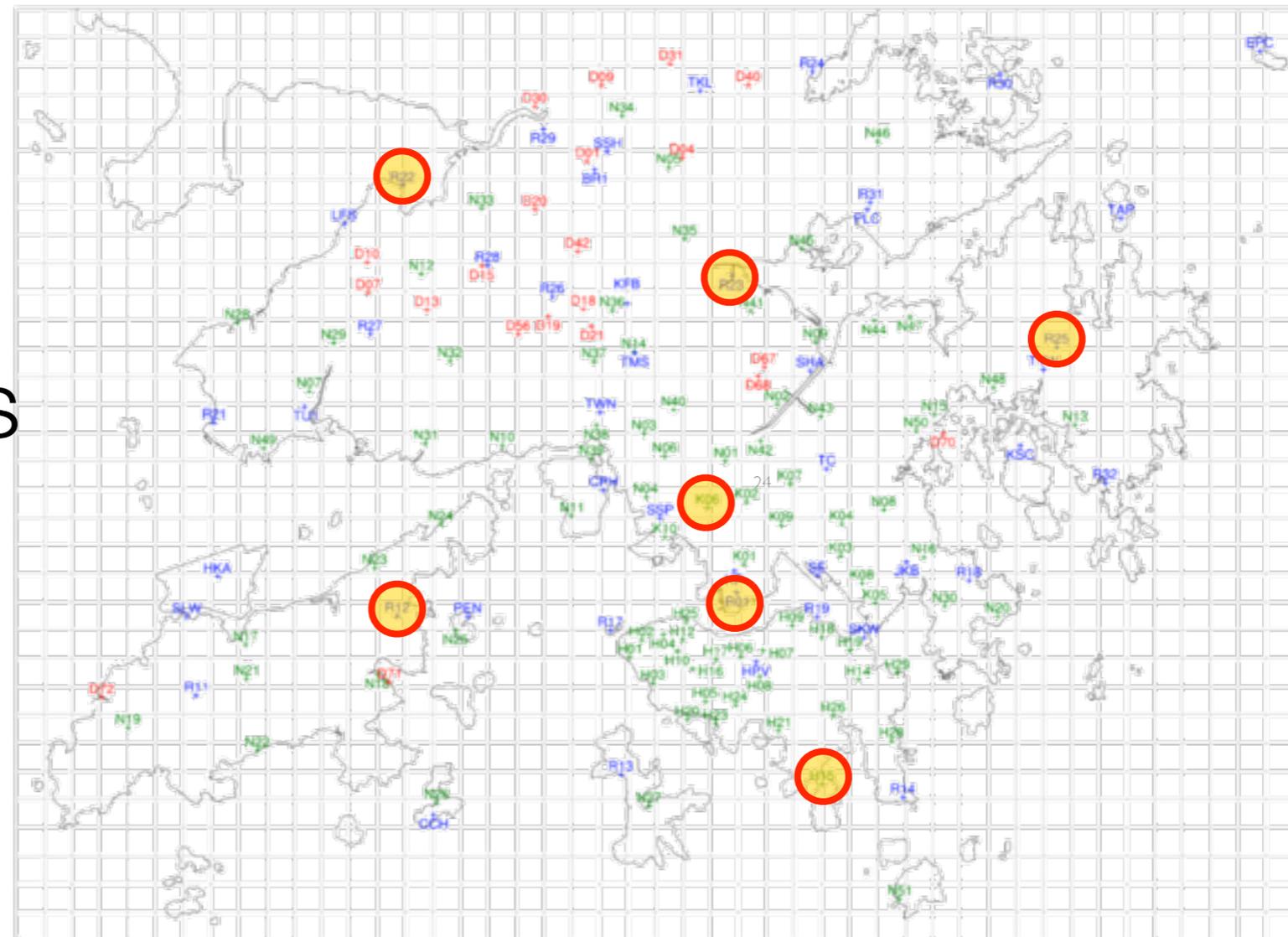
ECMWF - center 9 boxes (0.125 deg)



JMA - center 4 boxes (0.25 deg)



Verifying
raingauges



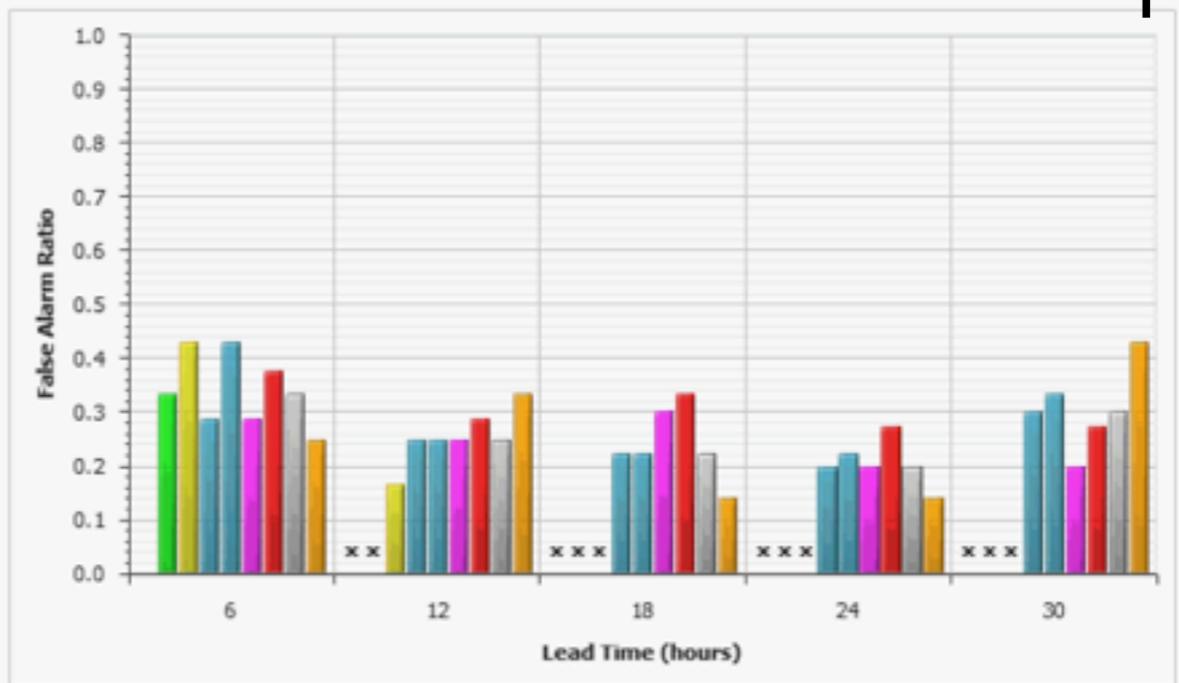
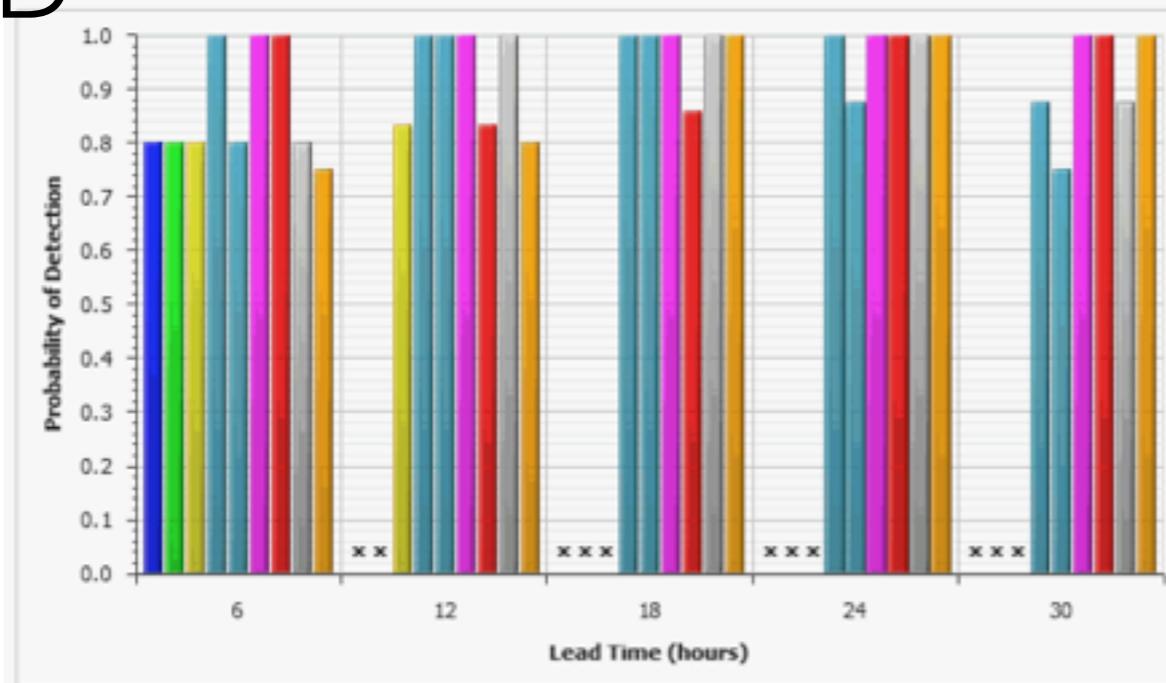
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- Verification of 6 Hourly Rainfall
- 22 - 24 July 2012

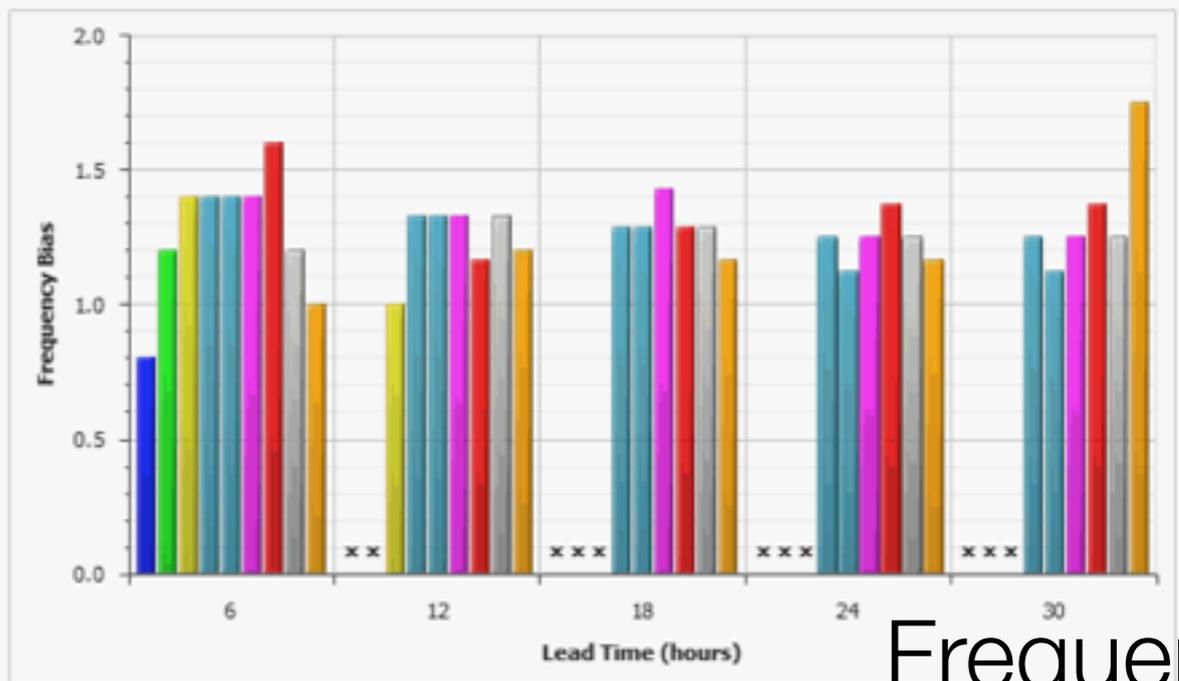
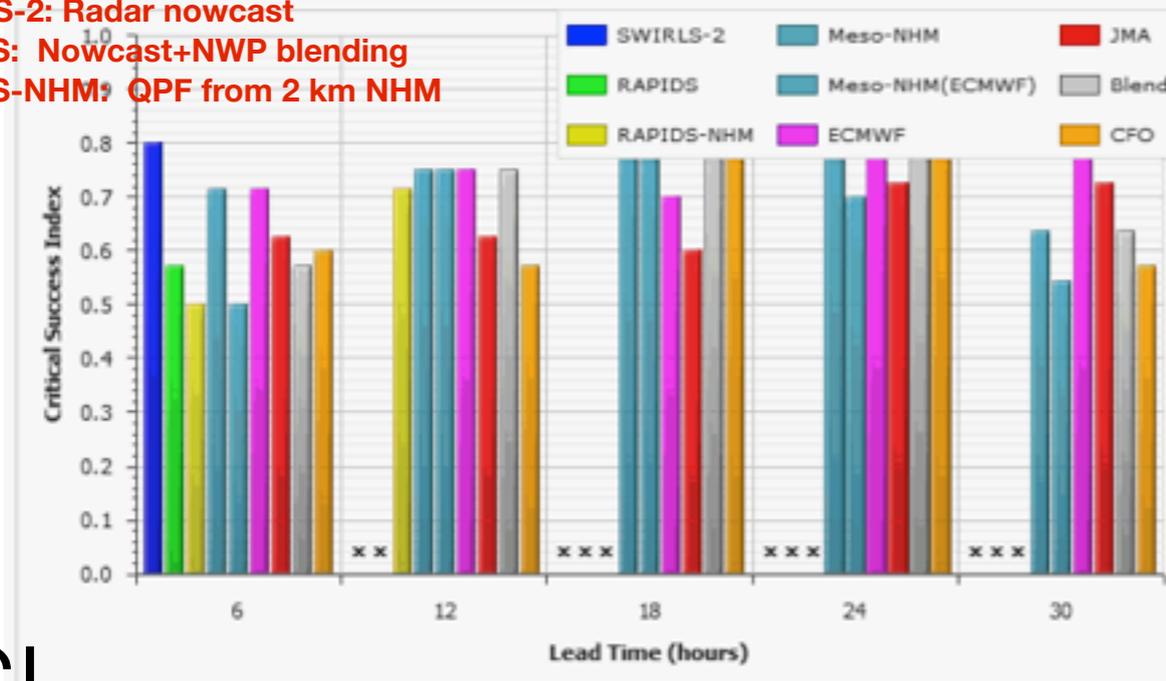
POD

FAR

Verification of 6 Hourly Rainfall, 2012-07-22 to 2012-07-24, Threshold=5 (mm)



Note:
 SWIRLS-2: Radar nowcast
 RAPIDS: Nowcast+NWP blending
 RAPIDS-NHM: QPF from 2 km NHM



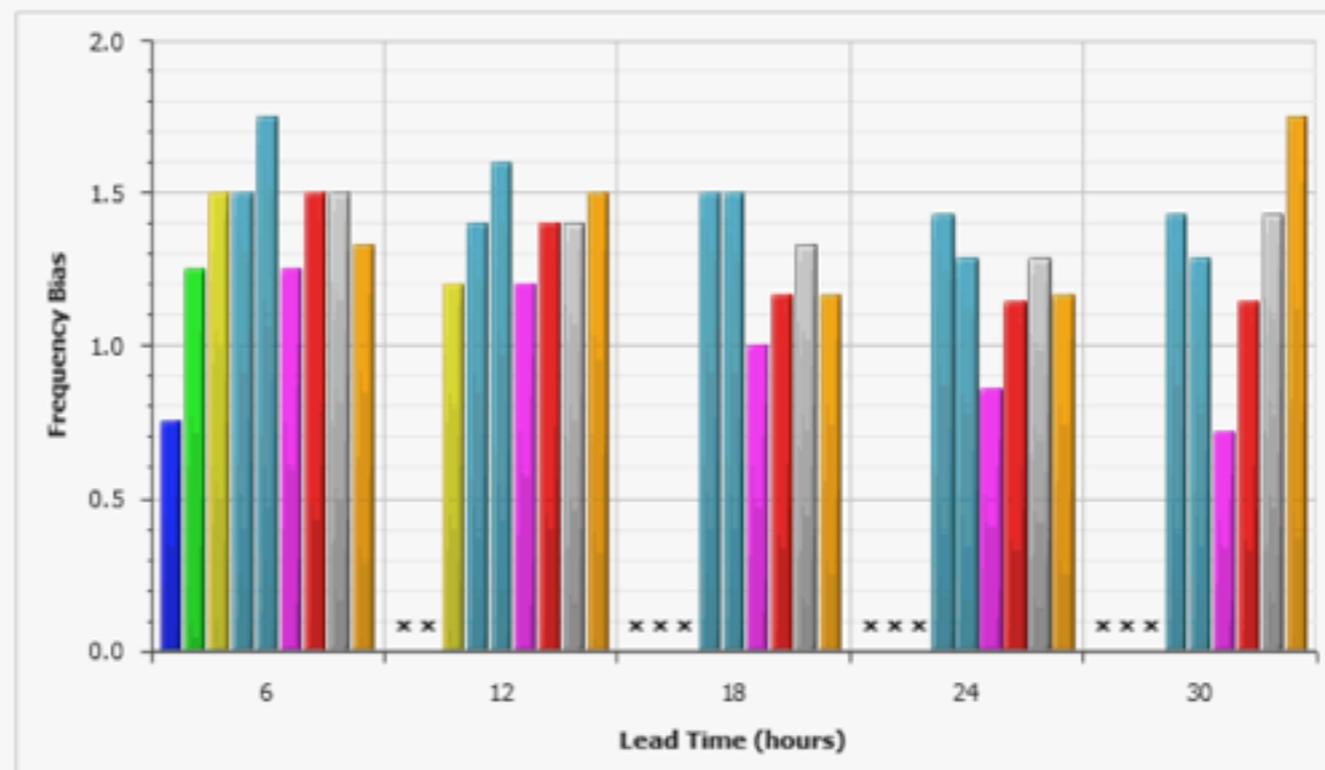
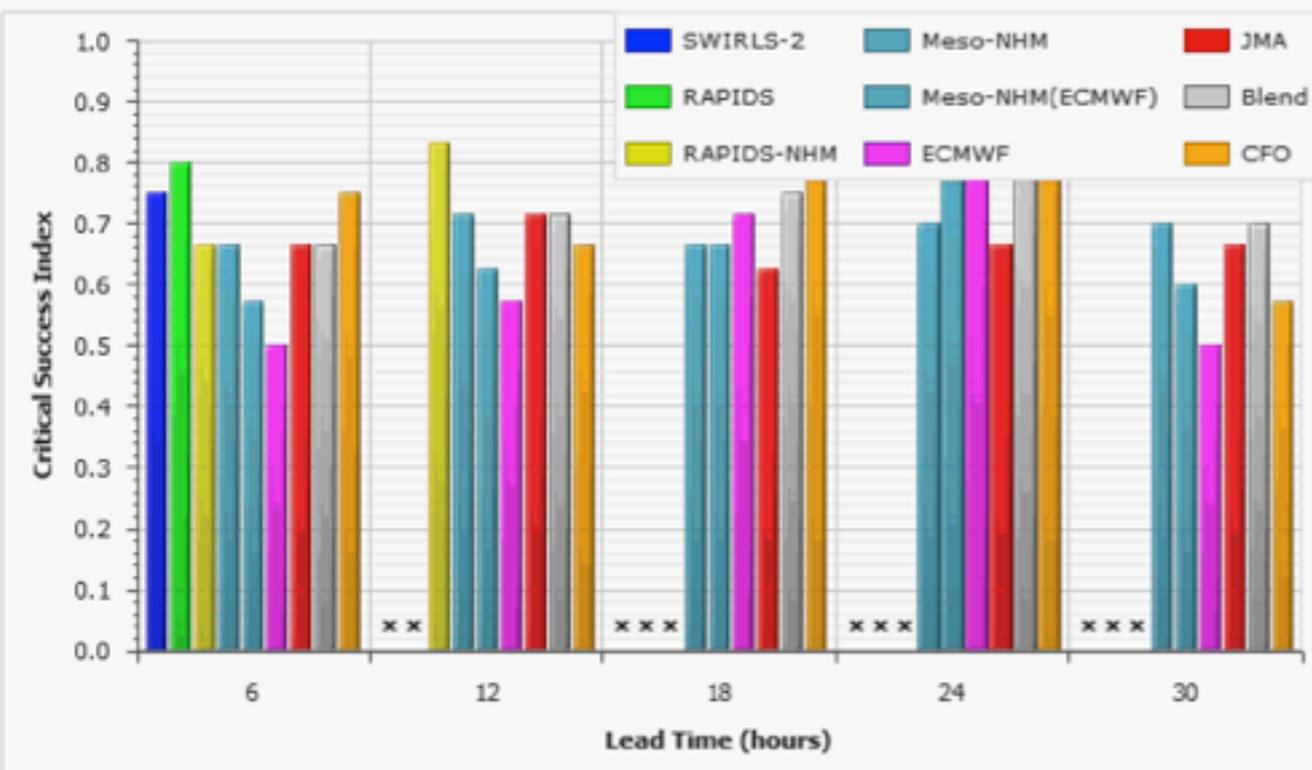
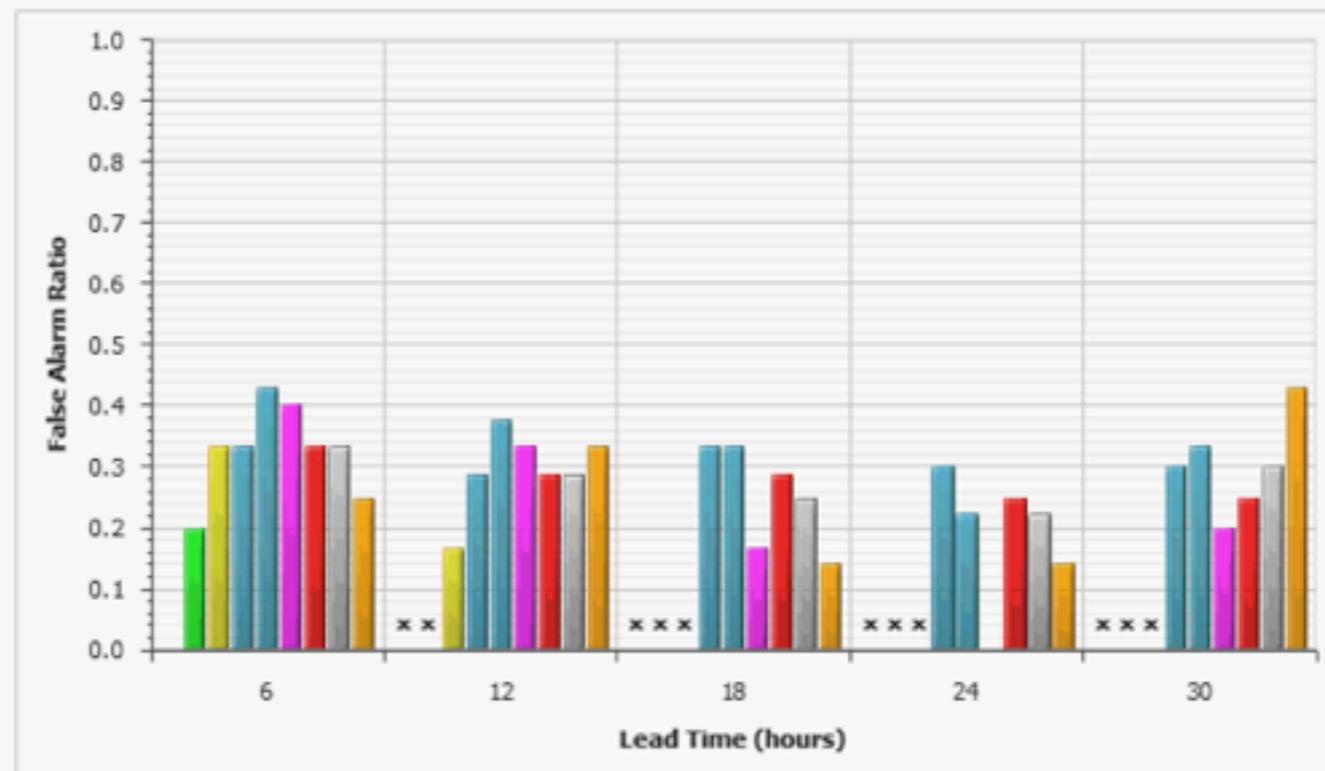
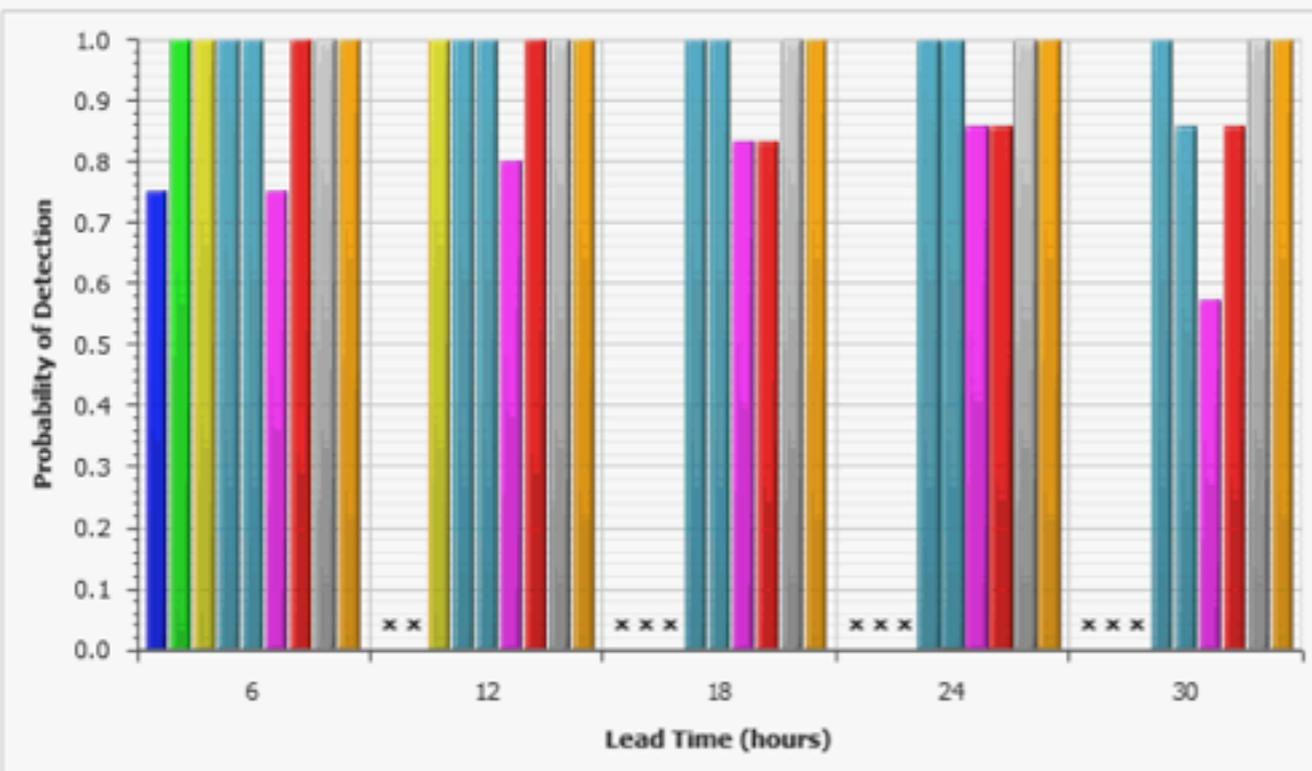
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Frequency Bias

- Verification Scores:
 - POD = Probability of Detection = no. of hit / (no. of hit + no. of miss)
 - FAR = False Alarm Ratio = no. of false / (no. of false + no. of hit)
 - CSI = Critical Success Index (Threat Score) = no. of hit / (no. of hit+miss+false)
 - Frequency Bias = (no. of hit + false) / (no. of hit + miss)
 - bias > 1 (over-forecast)
 - bias < 1 (under-forecast)

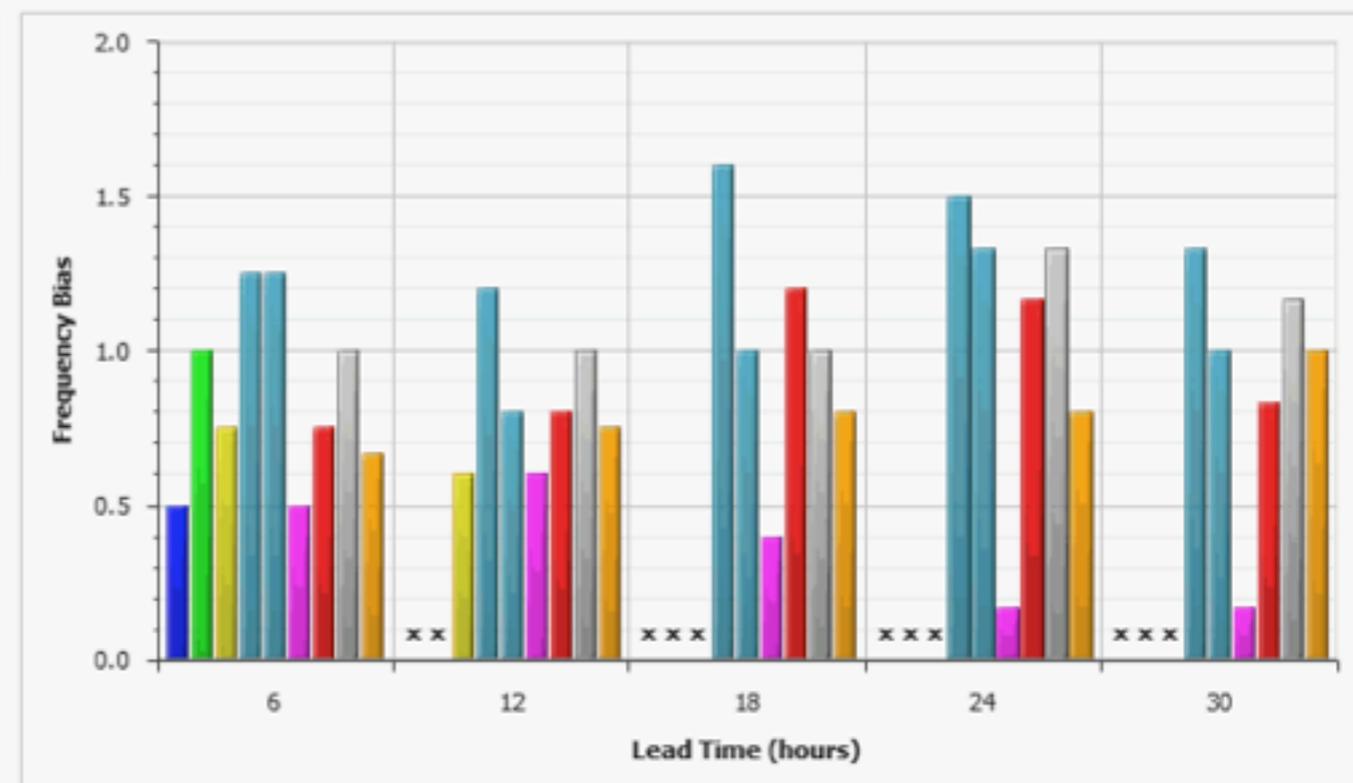
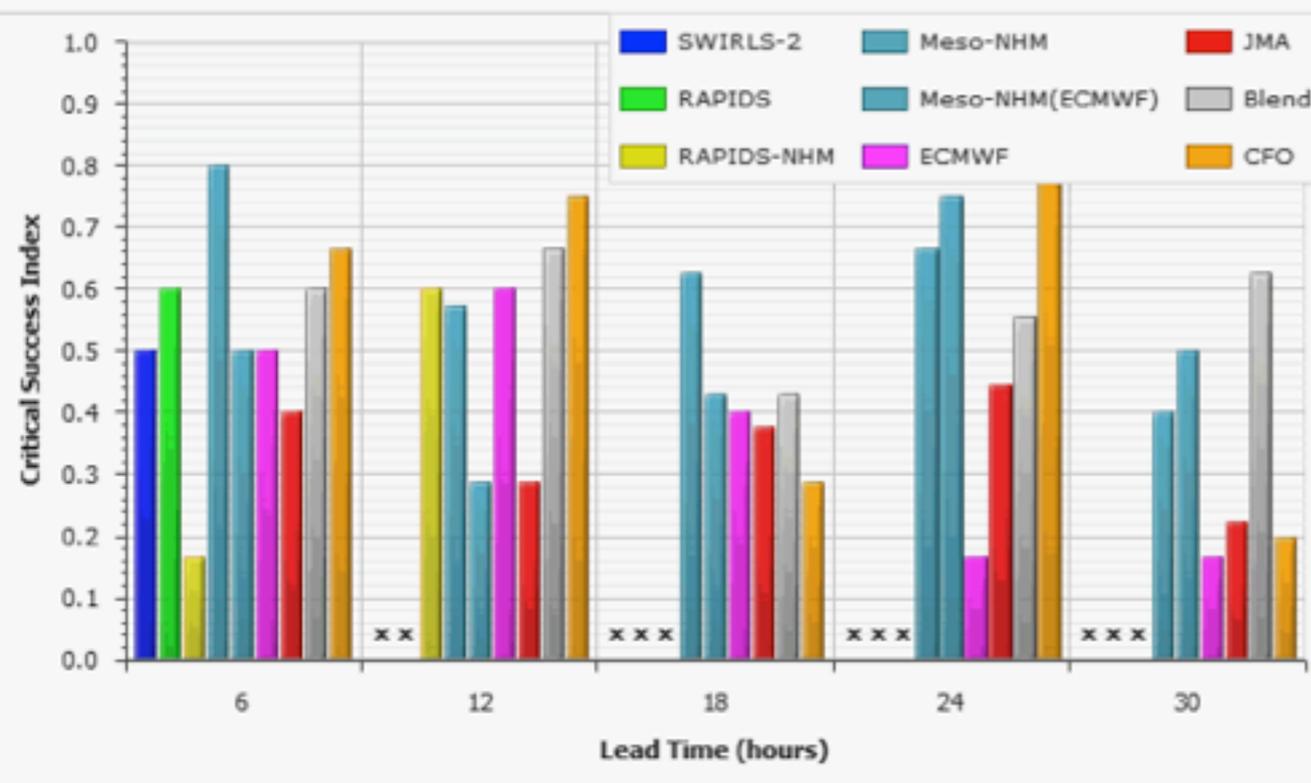
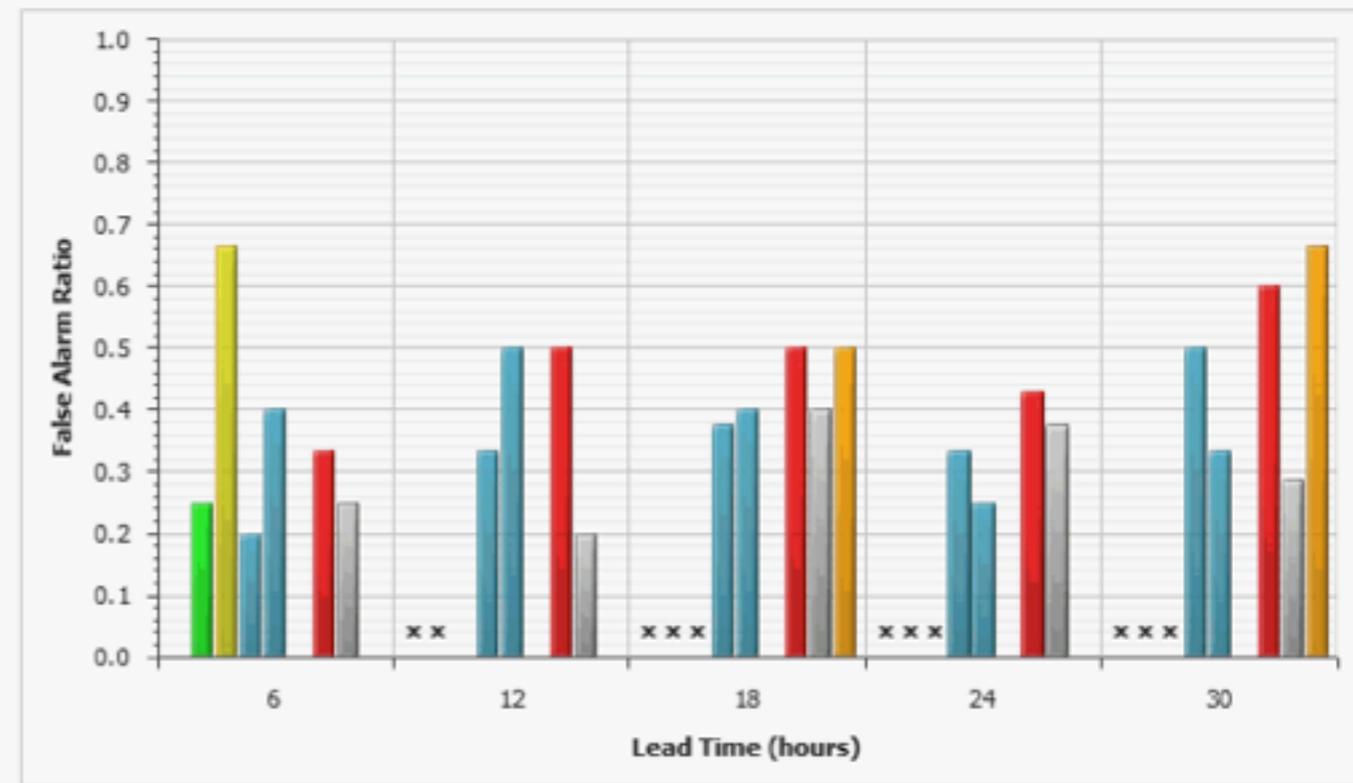
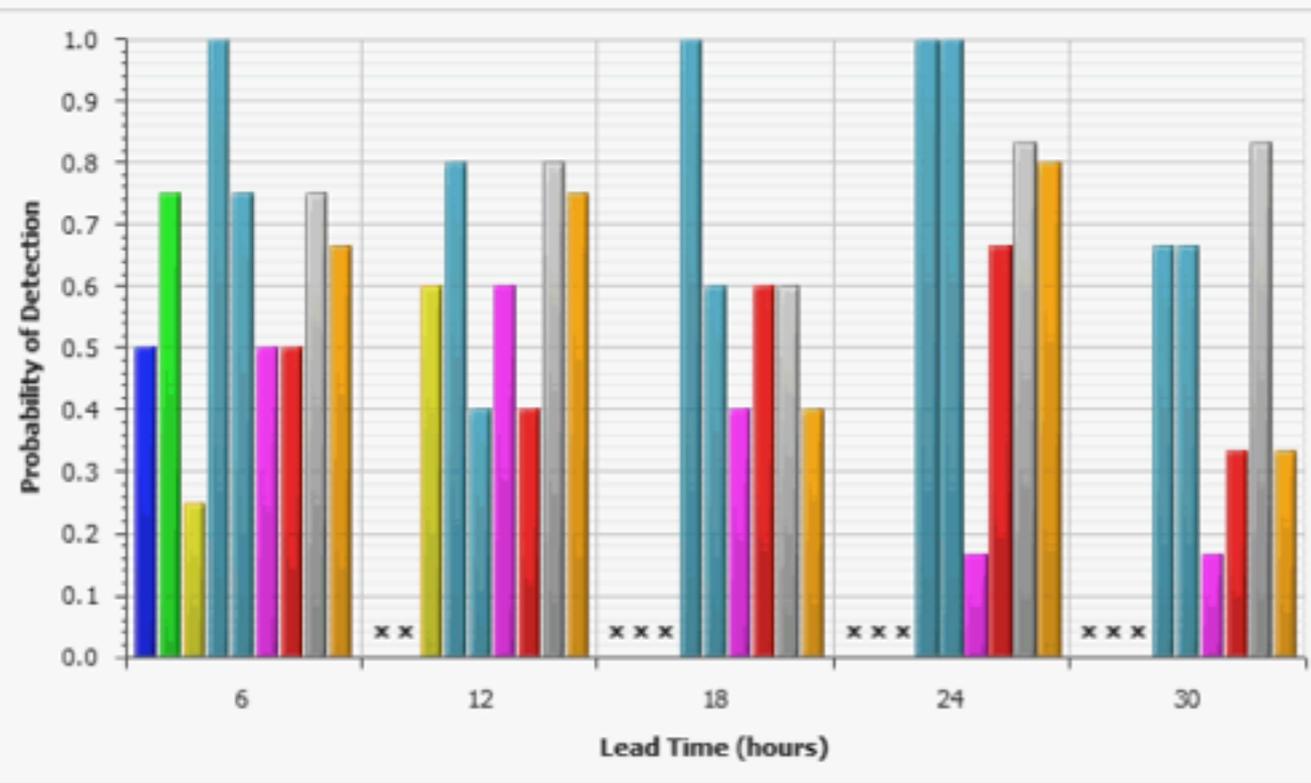
- Threshold = 10 mm (in 6 hours)

Verification of 6 Hourly Rainfall, 2012-07-22 to 2012-07-24,
Threshold=10 (mm)



- Threshold = 20 mm (in 6 hours)

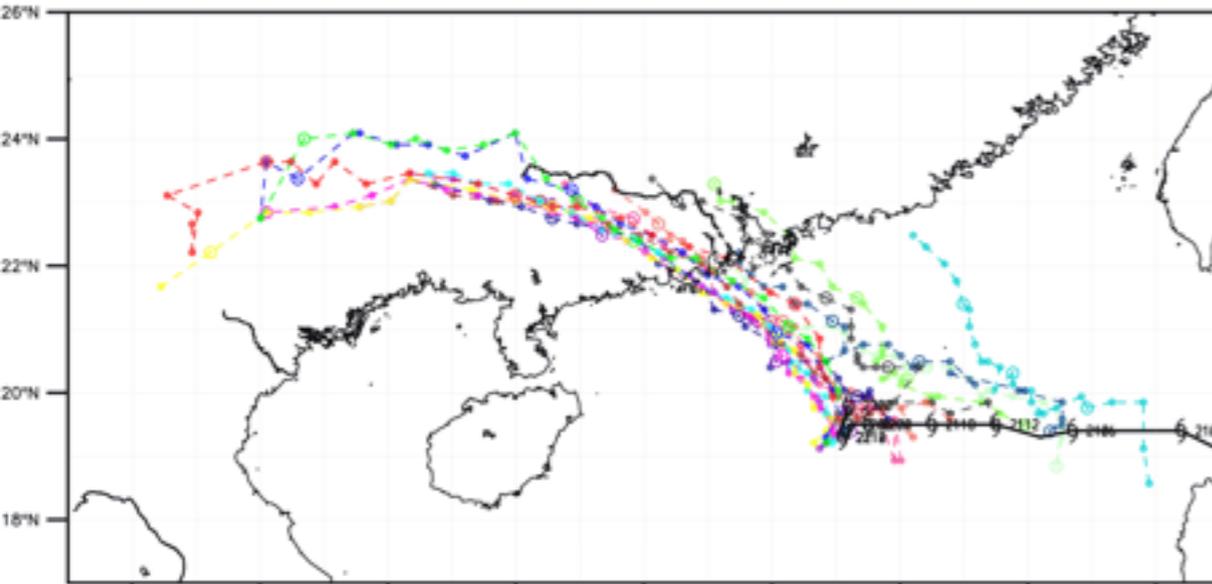
Verification of 6 Hourly Rainfall, 2012-07-22 to 2012-07-24,
Threshold=20 (mm)



Optimizing usage of rapid-update QPF from NHM

- Rapid-update cycle

Meso-NHM TC Track Forecast for STS VICENTE (1208)



Forecast TC tracks and model QPF “stamp map” from successive 3-hourly update Meso-NHM runs

QPF from ALL available Meso-NHM runs forecast at 15 UTC 23 July 2012

Forecast at:
2012-07-23 15Z
(MON)

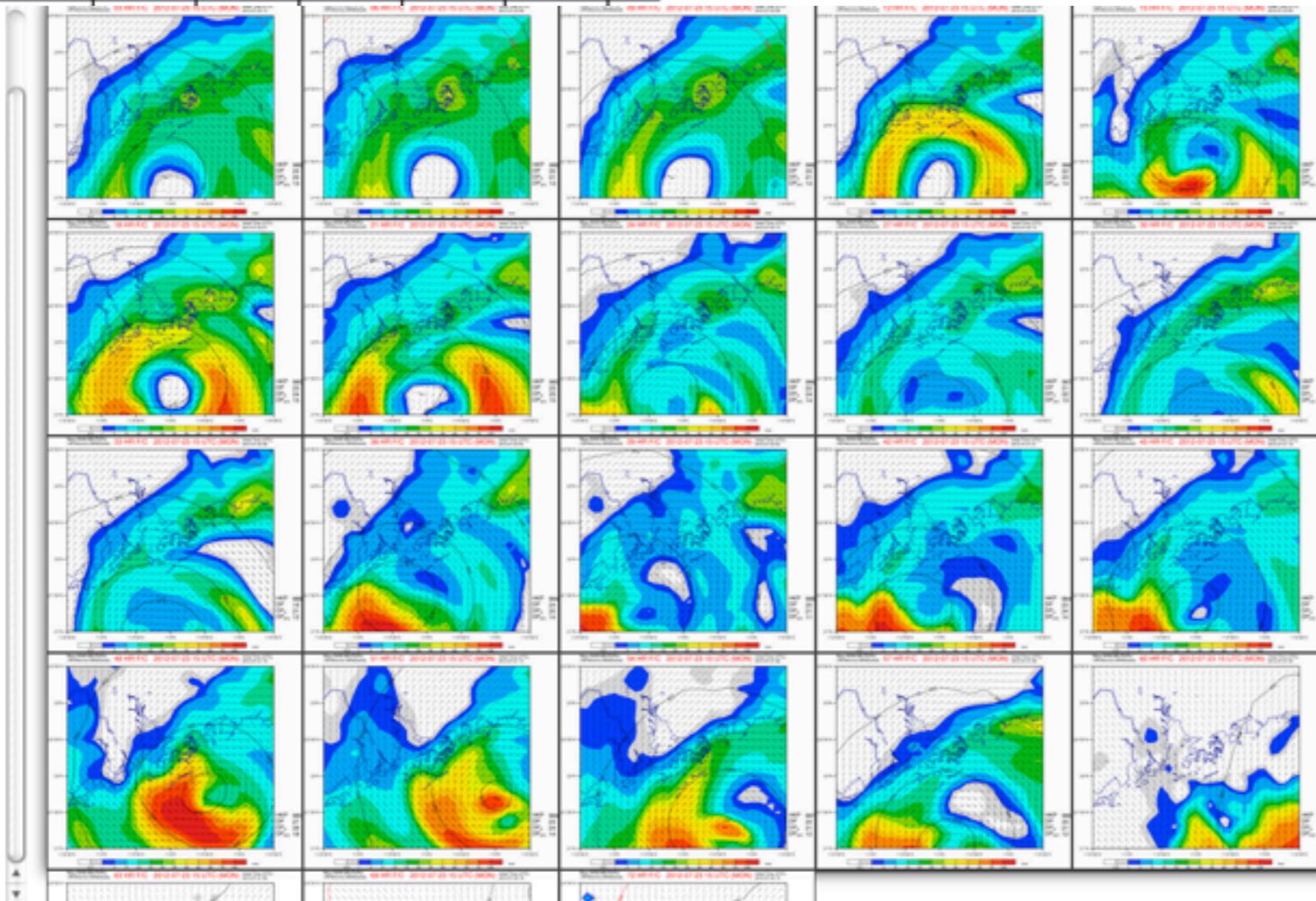
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-24 +24
Ensemble

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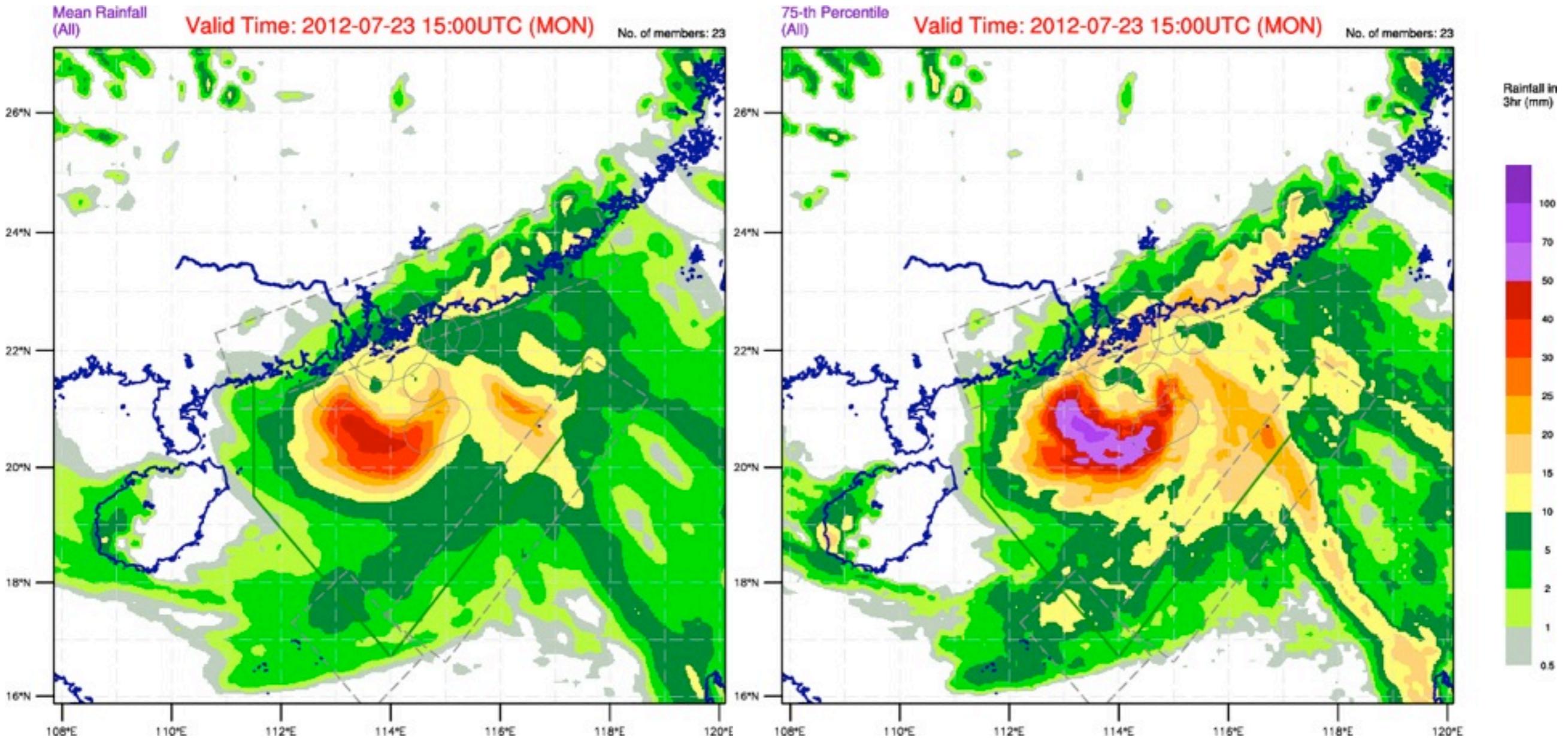
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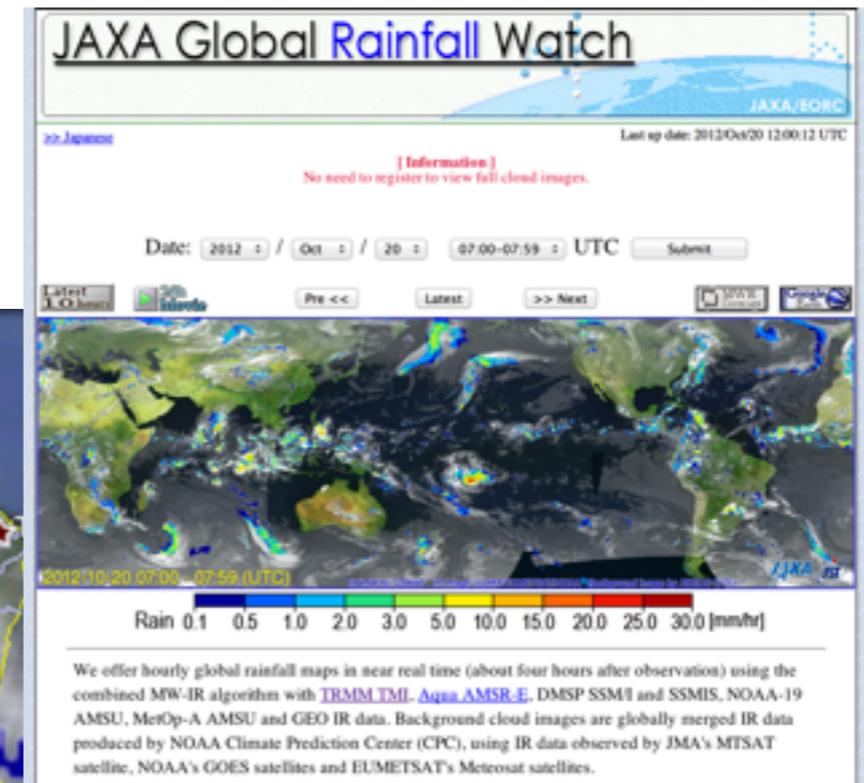
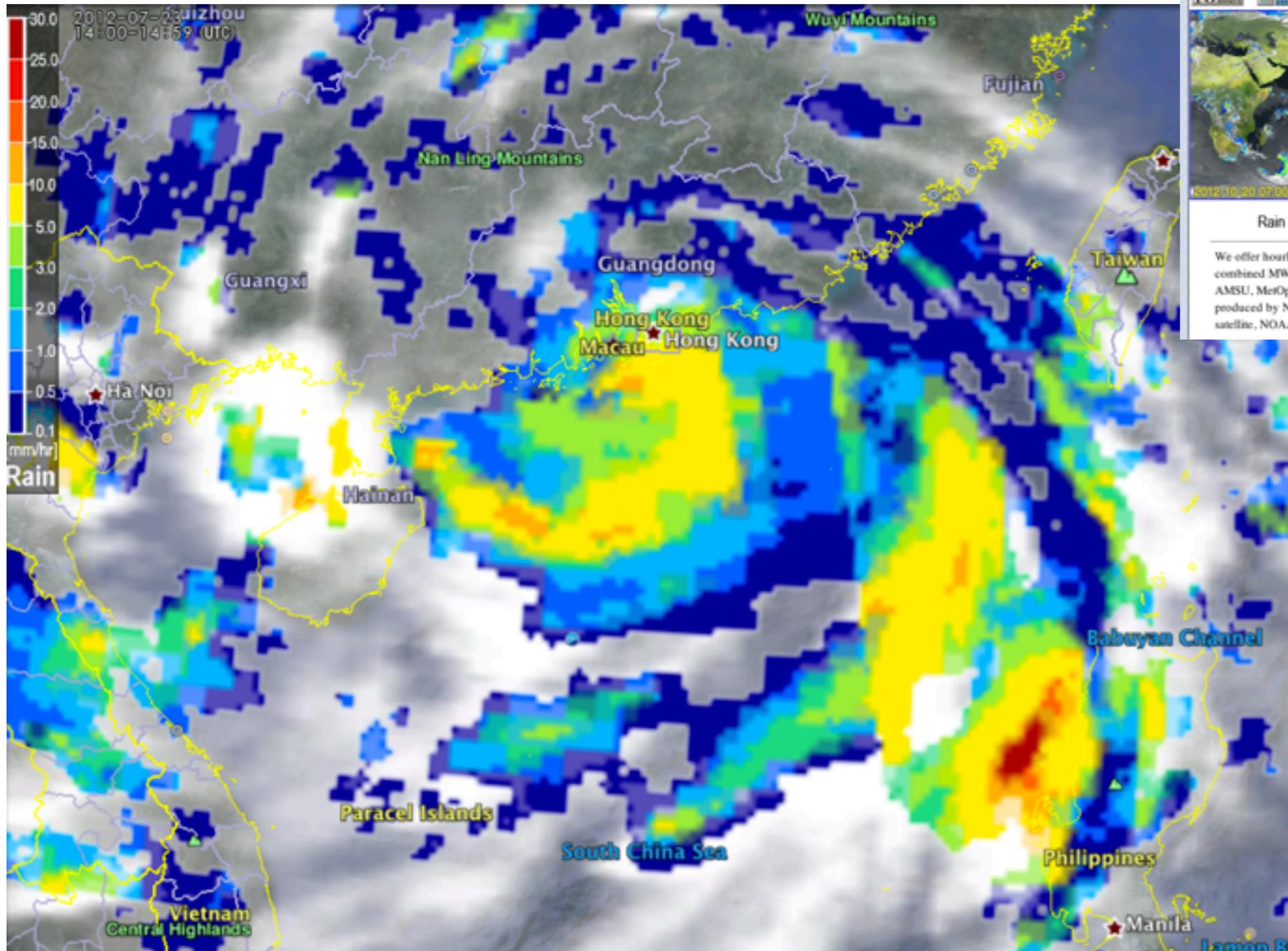
- time-lagged ensemble QPF
 - mean and 75-th percentile gridded QPF



- Comparison with satellite rainfall estimate

JAXA global rainfall estimate using microwave-IR combined algorithm

<http://sharaku.eorc.jaxa.jp/GSMaP/>



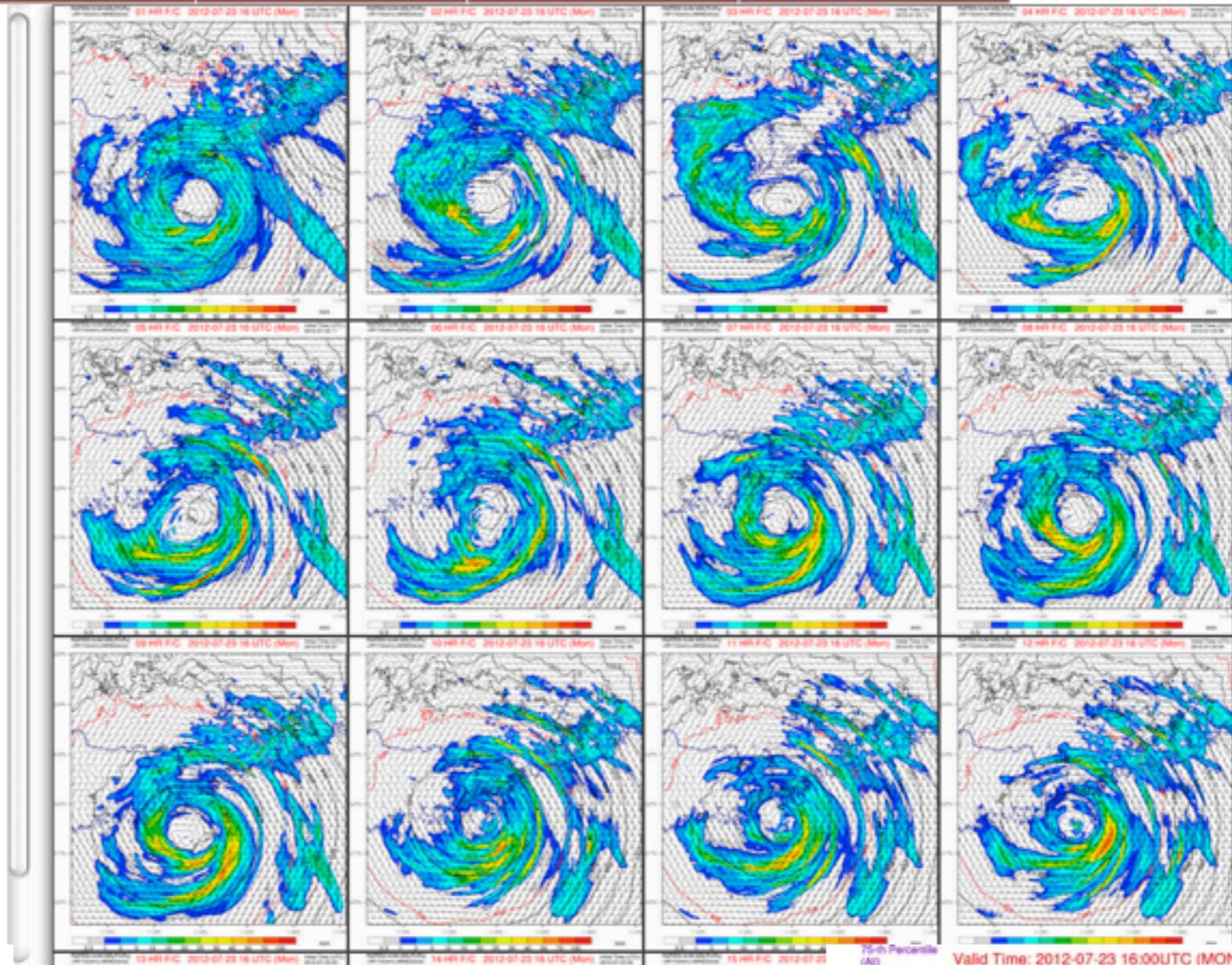
RAPIDS-NHM QPF Ensemble

Forecast at:
2012-07-23 16Z
(MON)

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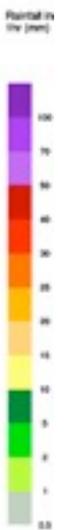
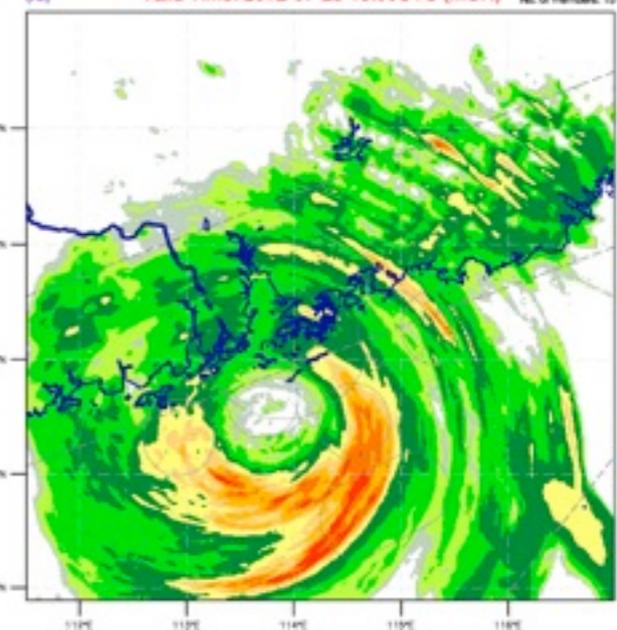
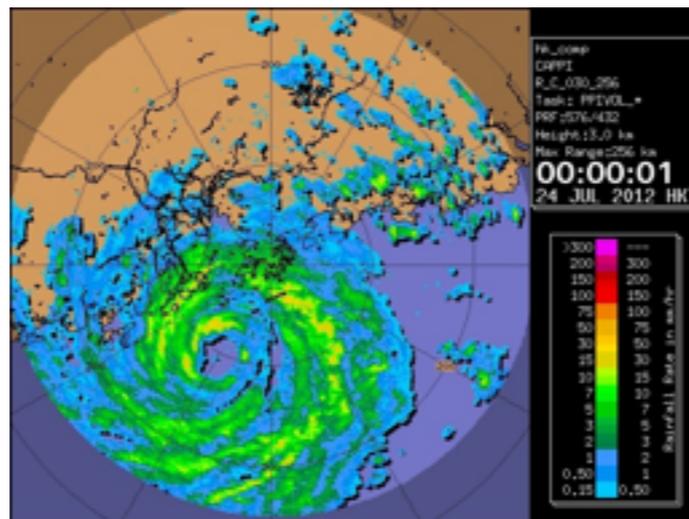
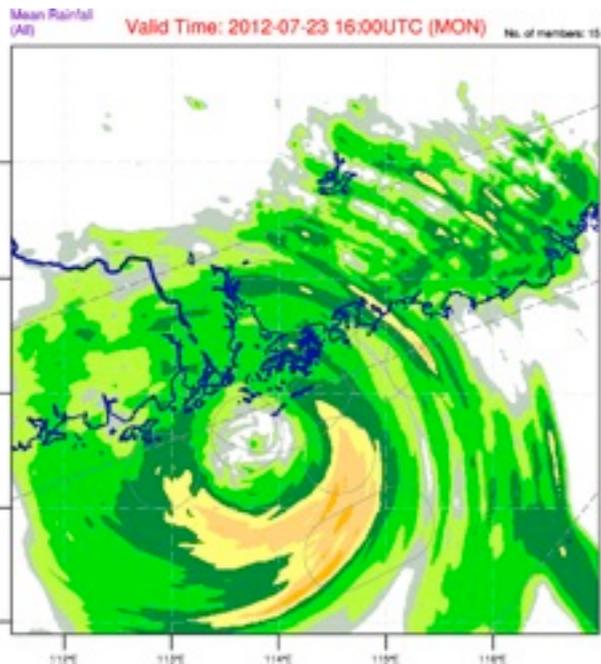
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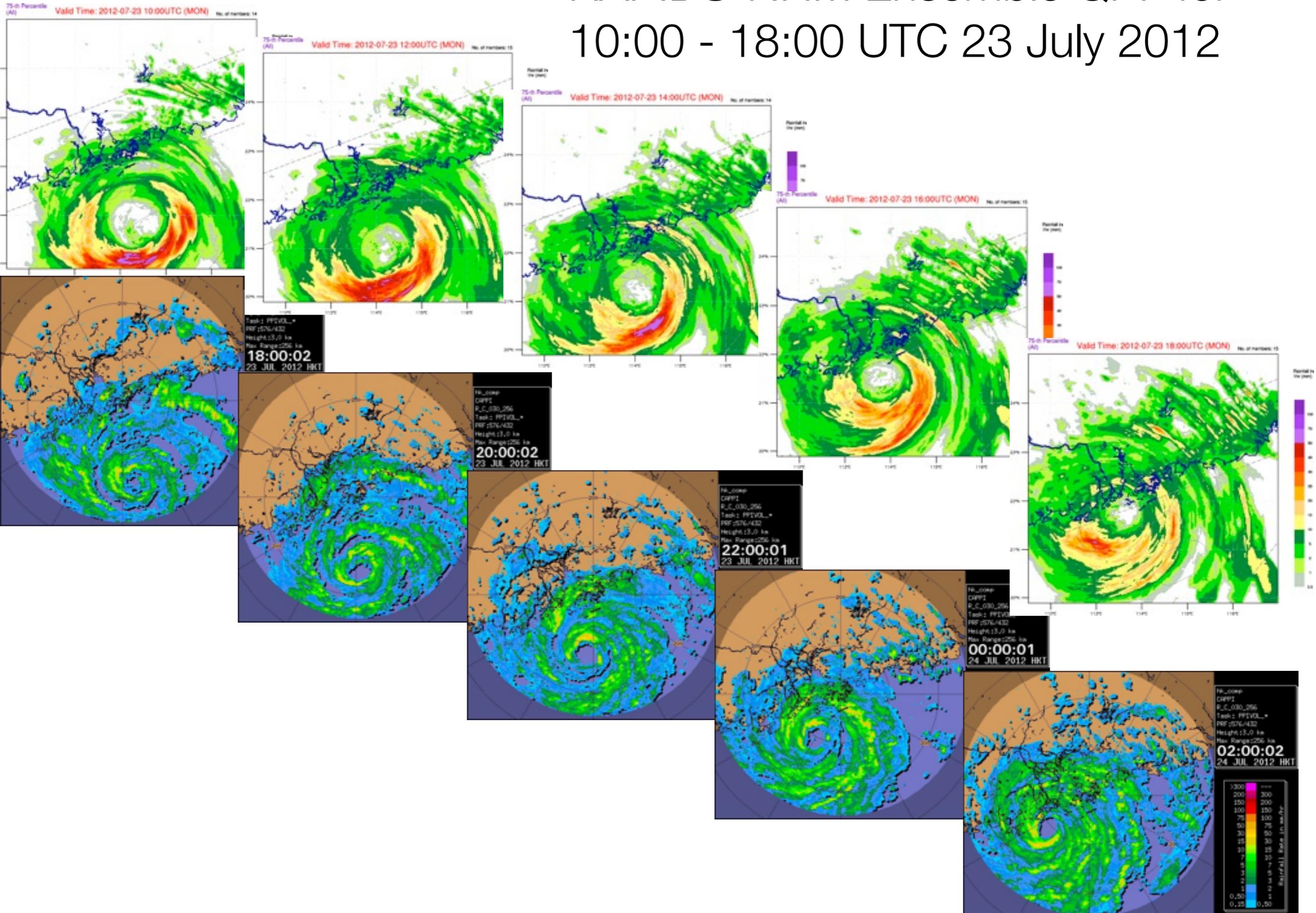


75-th
percentile

Ensemble
mean



RAPIDS-NHM Ensemble QPF for 10:00 - 18:00 UTC 23 July 2012



Meso-NHM QPF-Ensemble in operation

Stamp maps showing ALL available Meso-NHM forecasts valid at 2012-12-05 00Z

Latest run 3-h before 6-h before

Meso-NHM QPF Ensemble

Forecast at:
2012-12-05 00Z
(WED)

Time control

-3 +3

-6 +6

-12 +12

-24 +24

View ensemble QPF

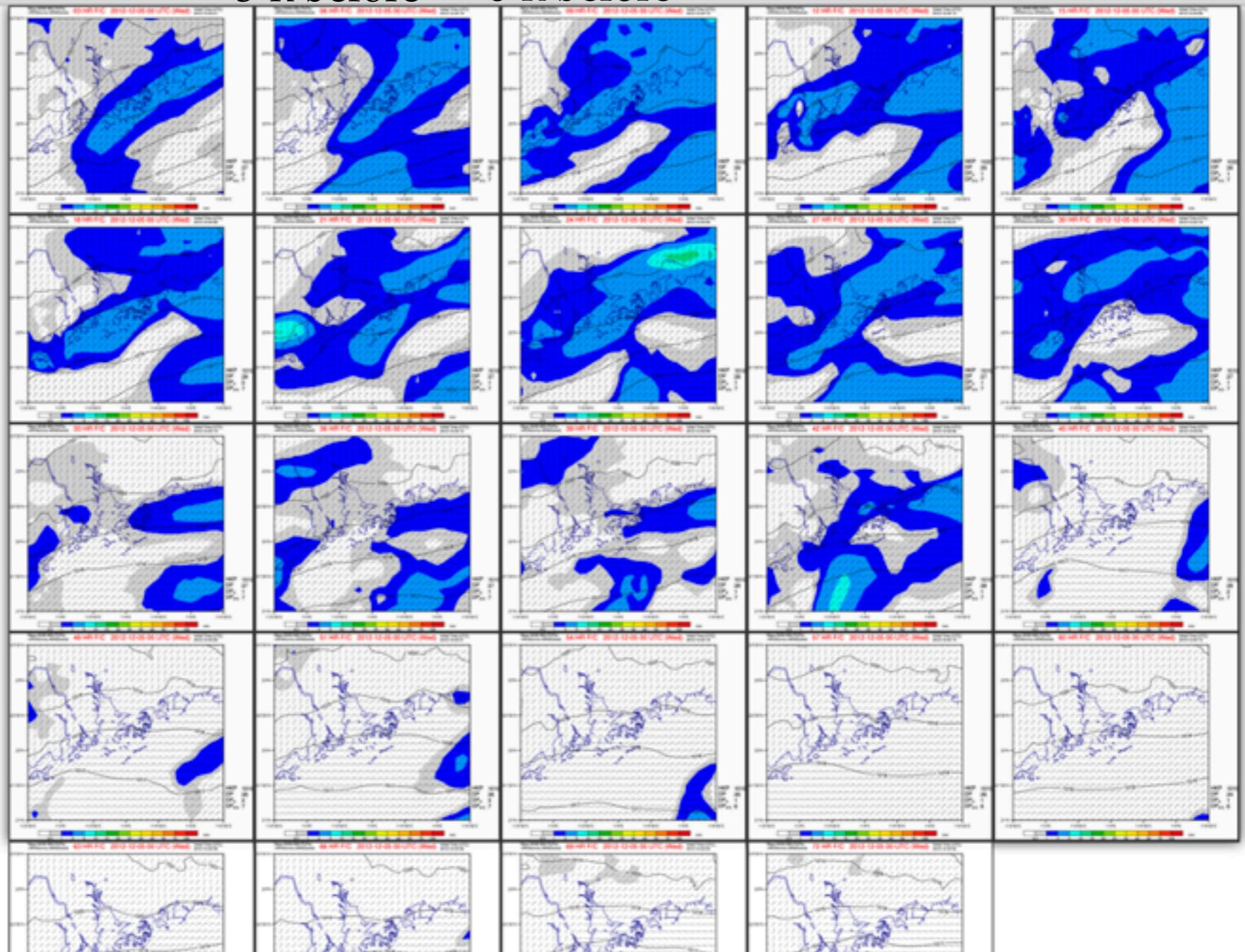
Ensemble

Calendar

Select Forecast Time:
20121205
06:00 UTC

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Performance of “ensemble QPF”

- Any benefit from this time-lagged ensemble QPF compared to individual “member” model run ?

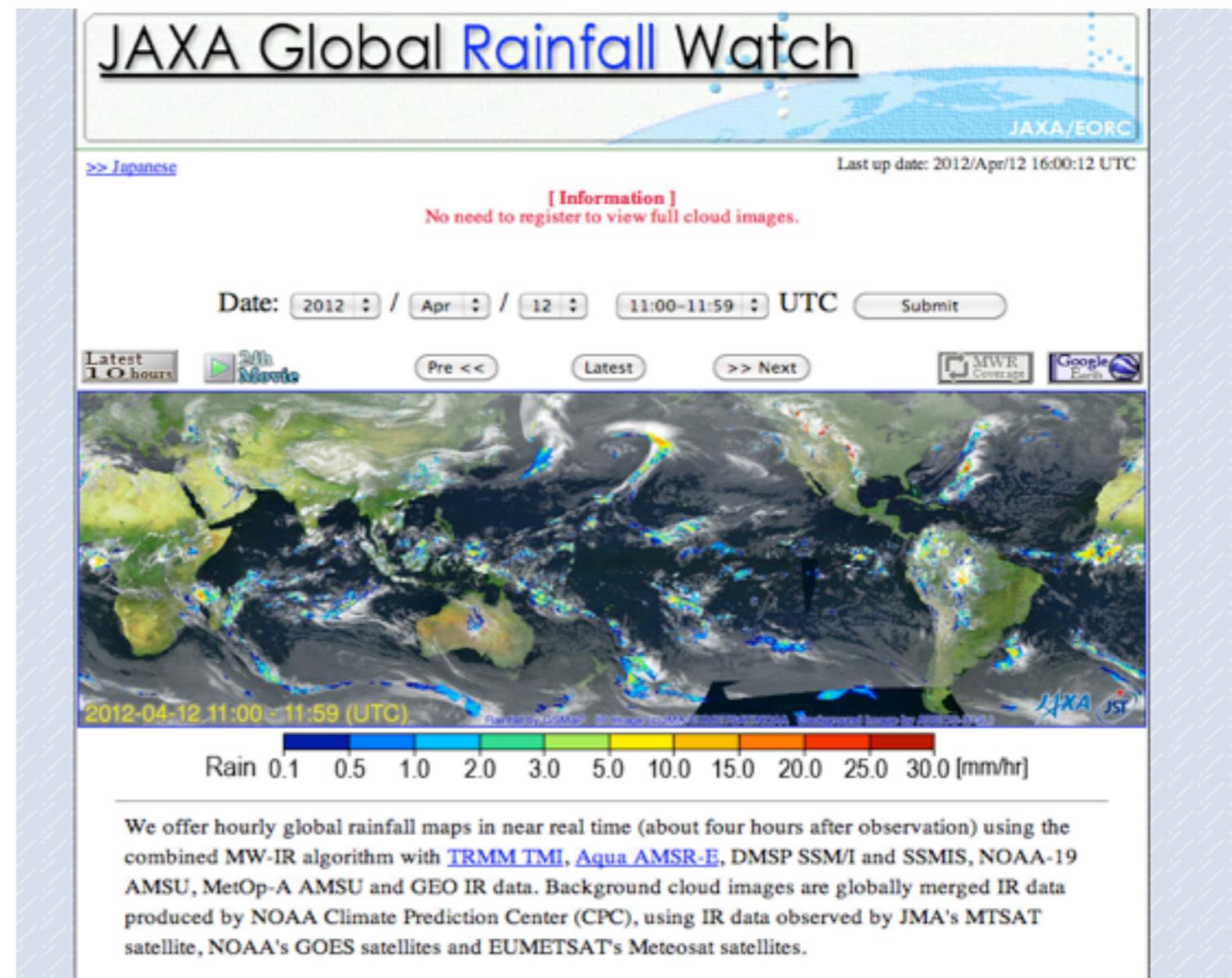
Verifying QPE

▣ JAXA Global Rainfall Watch Data

- ▣ Near-real-time hourly rainfall rate based on MW-IR algorithm with TRMM TMI, Aqua AMSR-E, DMSP SSM/I and SSMIS, NOAA-19 AMSU, MetOp-A AMSU and GEO IR data

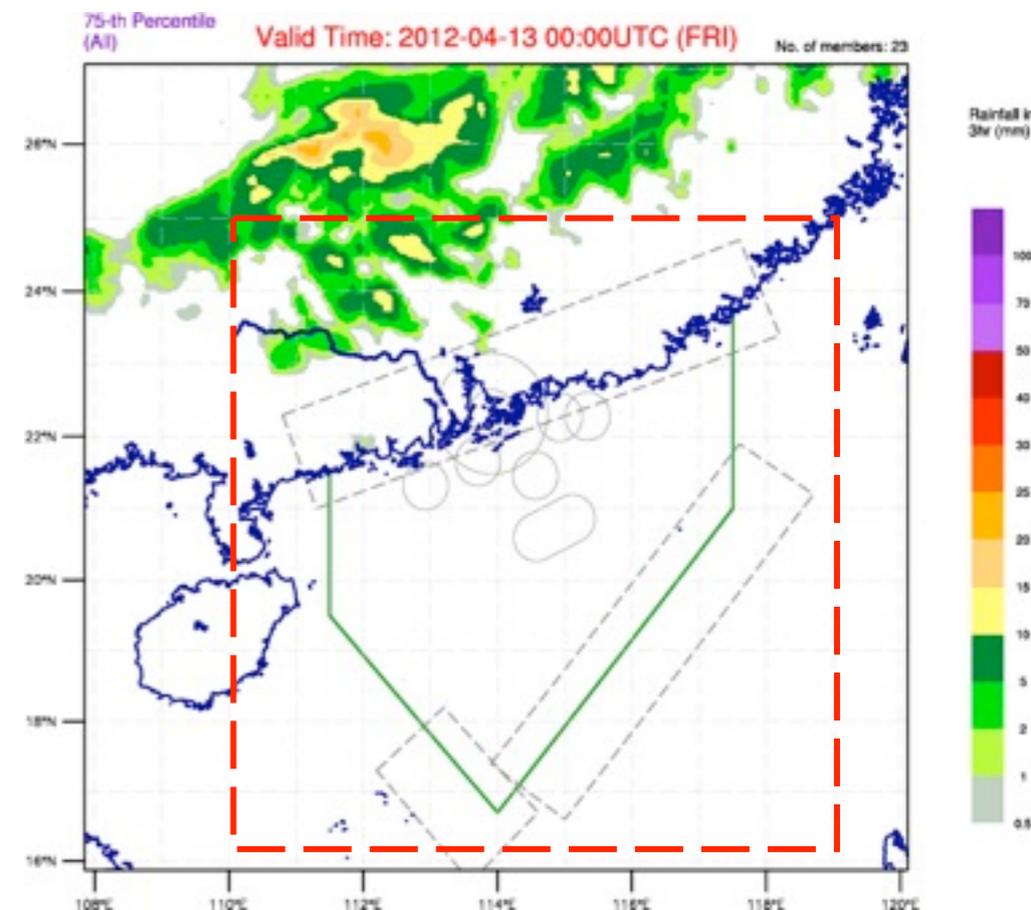
- ▣ 0.1 degree resolution

- ▣ similar to Meso-NHM



Verification

- Period: 2 July 2011 – 30 September 2011
- Meso-NHM QPF products:
 - Meso-NHM 3-hour accumulated rainfall (00,03,06,09,..., 21 UTC model runs);
T+3, T+6, ..., T+72 h
 - Ensemble QPF (mean and 75-th percentile, “All” and “Rainy Grids”)
- Grid-based (0.1x0.1 deg. lat/lon grid) verification
threshold $\geq 5\text{mm}/3\text{ hour}$
- Verification Domain:
 - 16.05 N – 24.95 N



Results from individual model runs from T+0 to T+72h

Threshold: 5 mm / 3 hrs

Forecast Hours (FT)

FT/hr	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
POD	0.18	0.22	0.21	0.21	0.20	0.19	0.19	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.15
FAR	0.65	0.69	0.74	0.75	0.77	0.79	0.80	0.81	0.83	0.84	0.84	0.87
CSI	0.13	0.15	0.13	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.08
PSS	0.16	0.19	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.16	0.15	0.14	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.10

$$\text{POD} = H/(H+M);$$

$$\text{FAR} = F/(H+F);$$

$$\text{CSI} = H/(H+M+F);$$

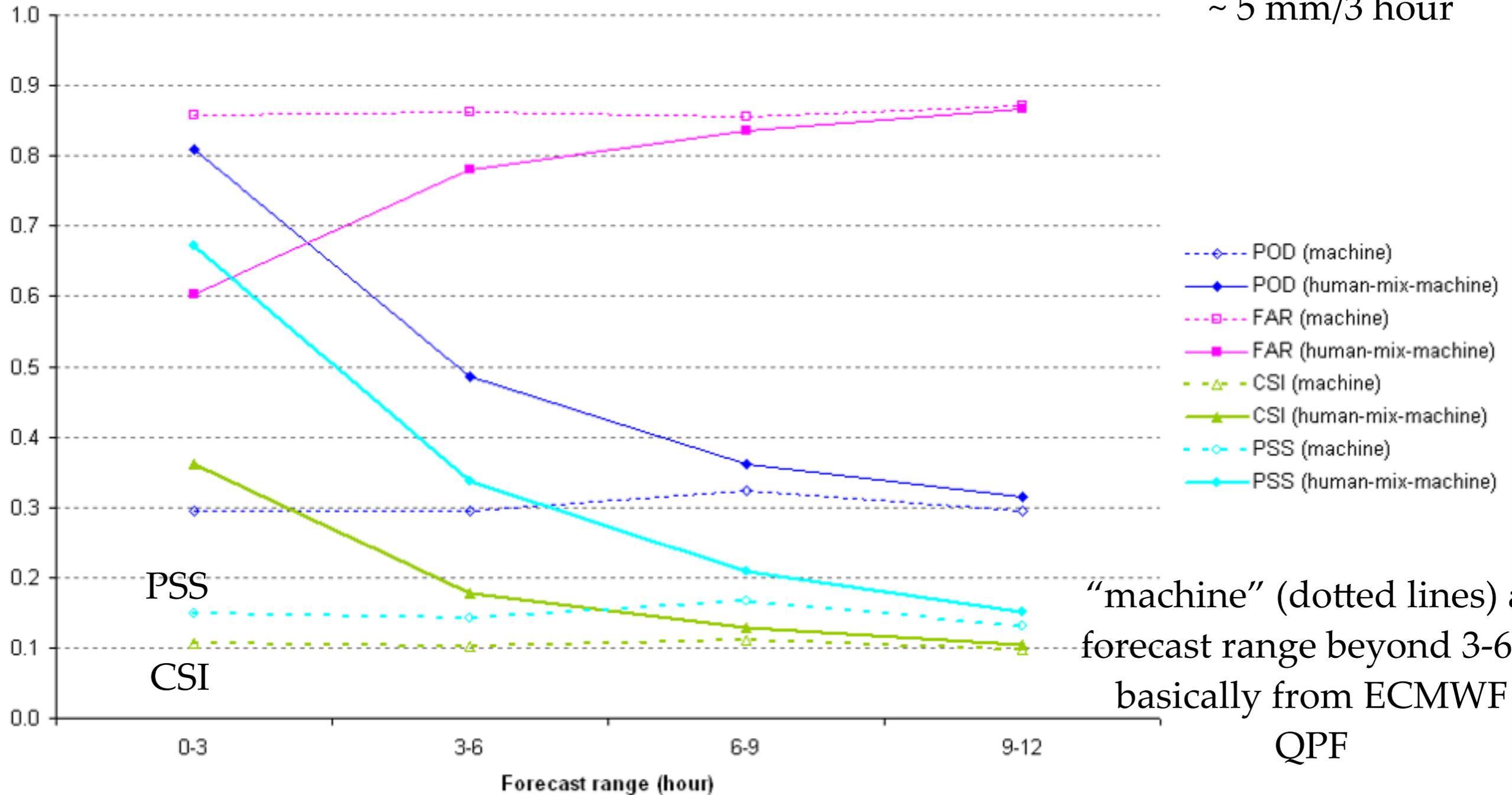
$$\text{PSS (Pierce's Skill Score)} = H/(H+M) - F/(F+Z)$$

H = hit; M = miss; F = false alarm; Z = correct negative

Area based verification using ECMWF QPF

12-hr TS forecast (Yellow/Red) for holding area (Fisha)

Yellow
~ 5 mm/3 hour



“machine” (dotted lines) at
forecast range beyond 3-6 h
basically from ECMWF
QPF

Verification results of sig. convection forecasts for holding area “Fisha”
2011-08-22 to 2011-10-16

Verification of Ensemble QPF

	75-th percentile	75-th percentile (rainy grid)	mean	mean (rainy grid)
POD	0.296	0.287	0.19	0.18
FAR	0.737	0.735	0.67	0.67
CSI	0.162	0.160	0.13	0.13
PSS	0.254	0.247	0.17	0.16

Compare with individual Meso-NHM forecasts:

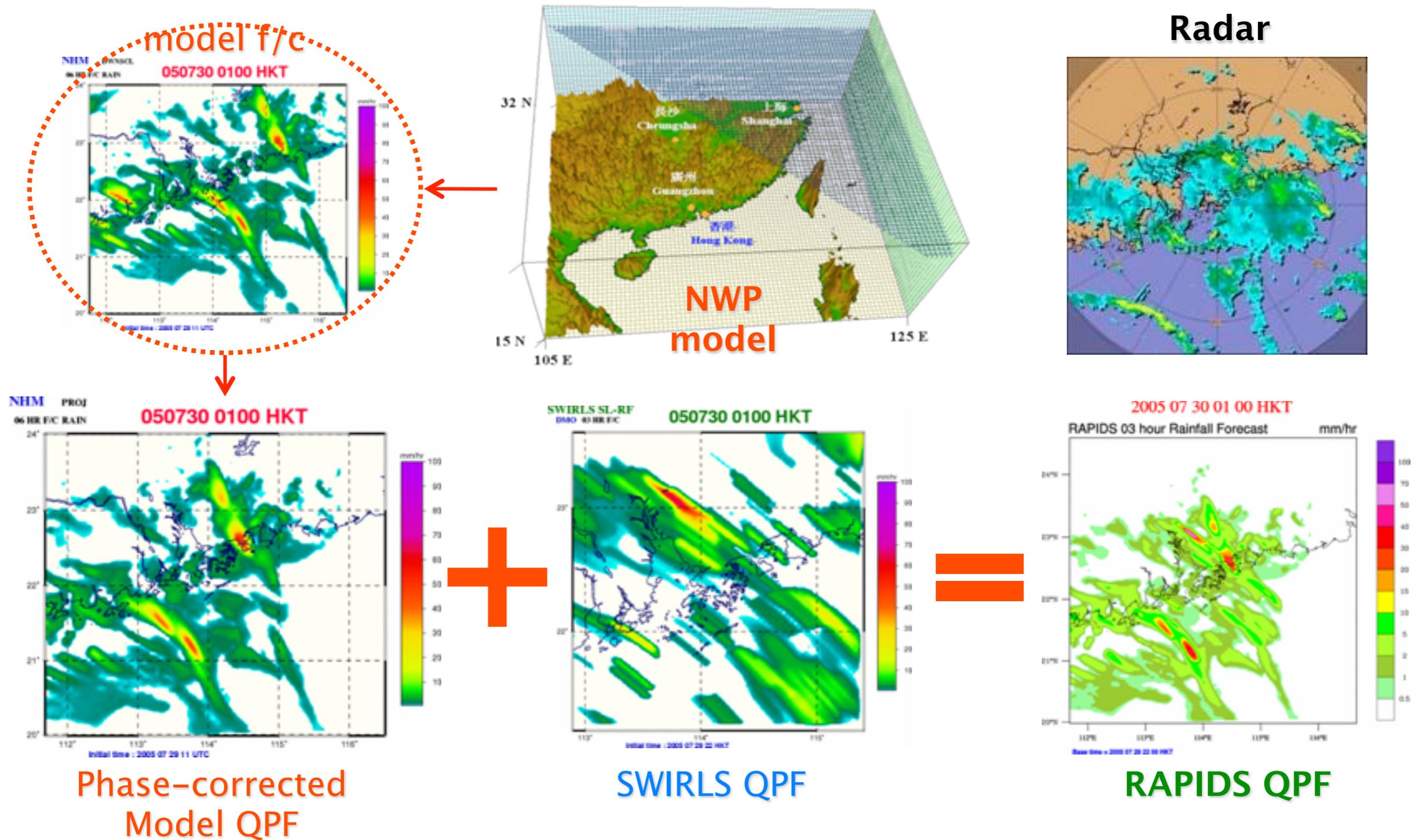
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Model QPF

- multi-model approach and rapid-update cycle mesoscale NWP QPF:
 - alternative scenarios of significant rain
 - objective guidance to help and provide (useful) ‘first-guess’ to forecasters on the analysis and diagnosis of synoptic situation and mesoscale process
- Another use of model QPF to improve short-term (or nowcast) of precipitation:
 - blending with radar nowcasting (extrapolation of radar echoes)

Blending of QPFs

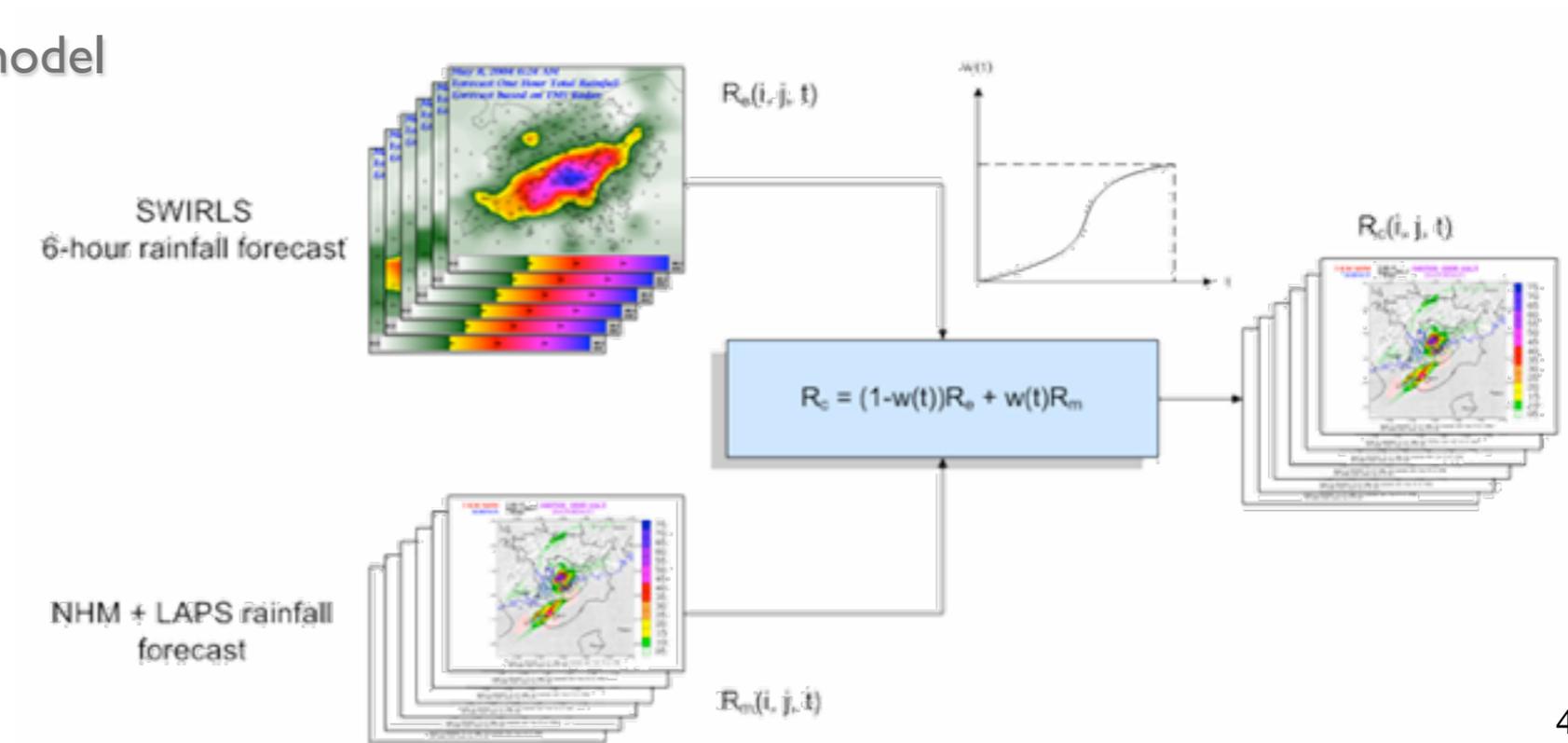
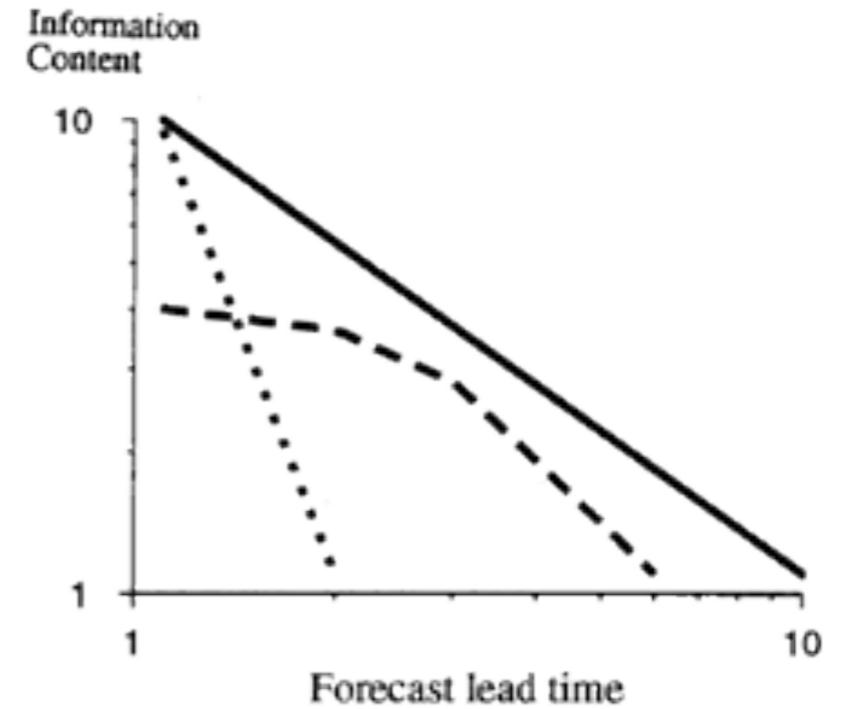
Merging Nowcast with NWP



RAPIDS

(Rainstorm Analysis and Prediction Integrated Data-processing System)

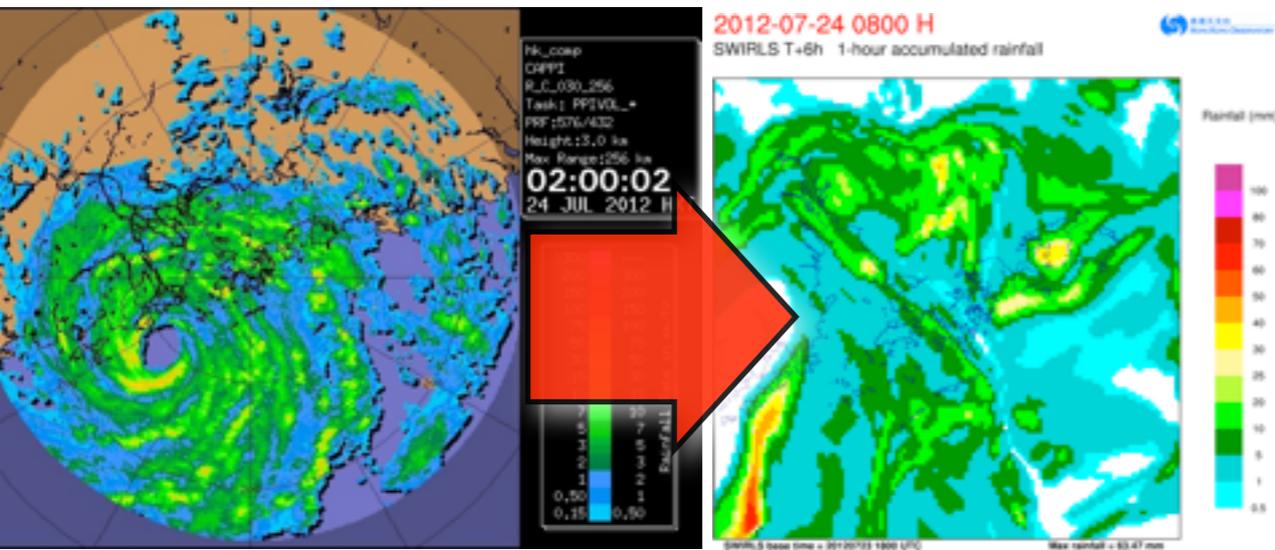
- to provide 1-6 hours blended QPF
- 2-km resolution, hourly/6-min updating
- NOWCASTING component – SWIRLS
 - QPF by semi-Lagrangian advection of radar echoes
- NWP component – NHM
 - QPF by non-hydrostatic model



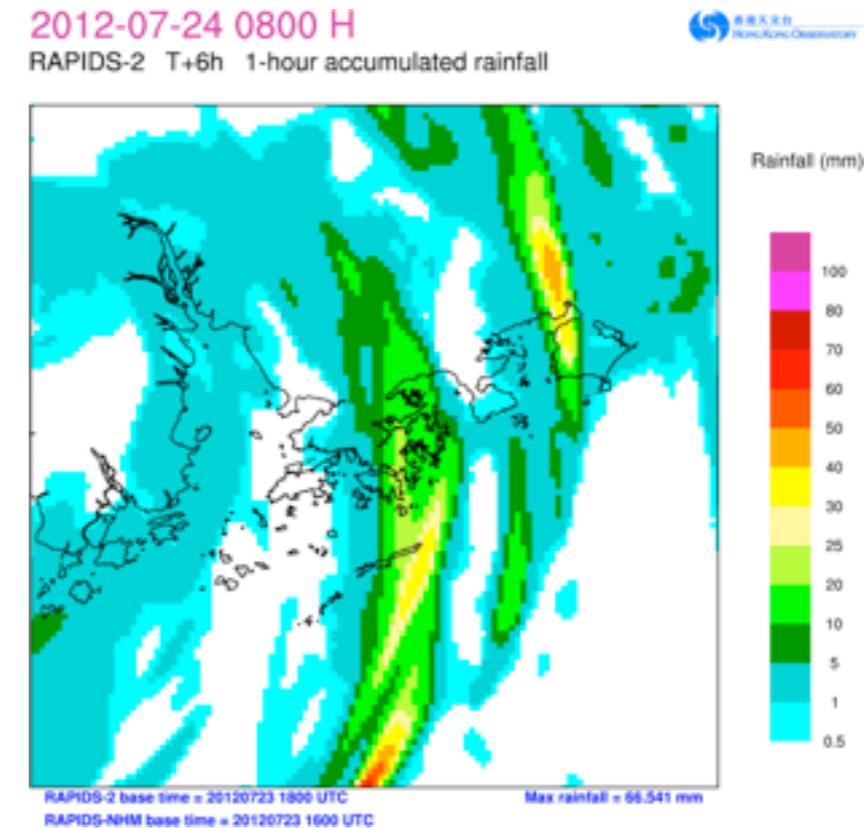
RAPIDS : QPF Blending

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RAPIDS QPF



SWIRLS-2 radar nowcast (1-6 hr)
(optical flow tracking, semi-Lagrangian advection)

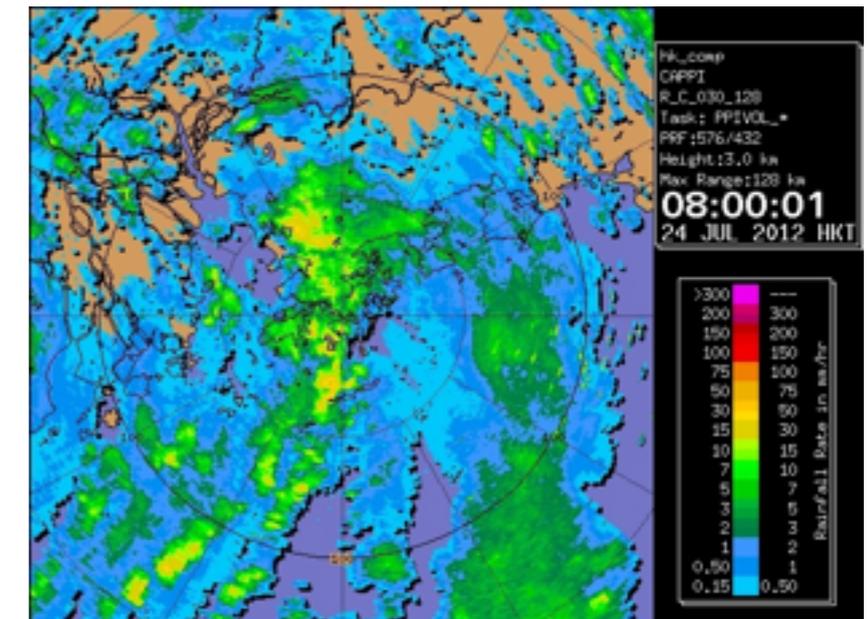
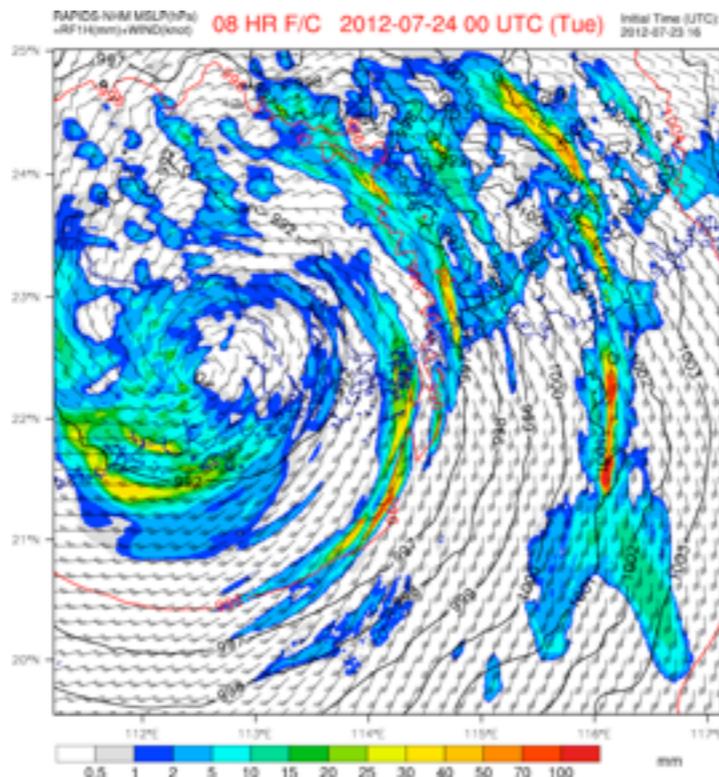


Phase correction of position error

Intensity calibration to adjust model rainfall intensity

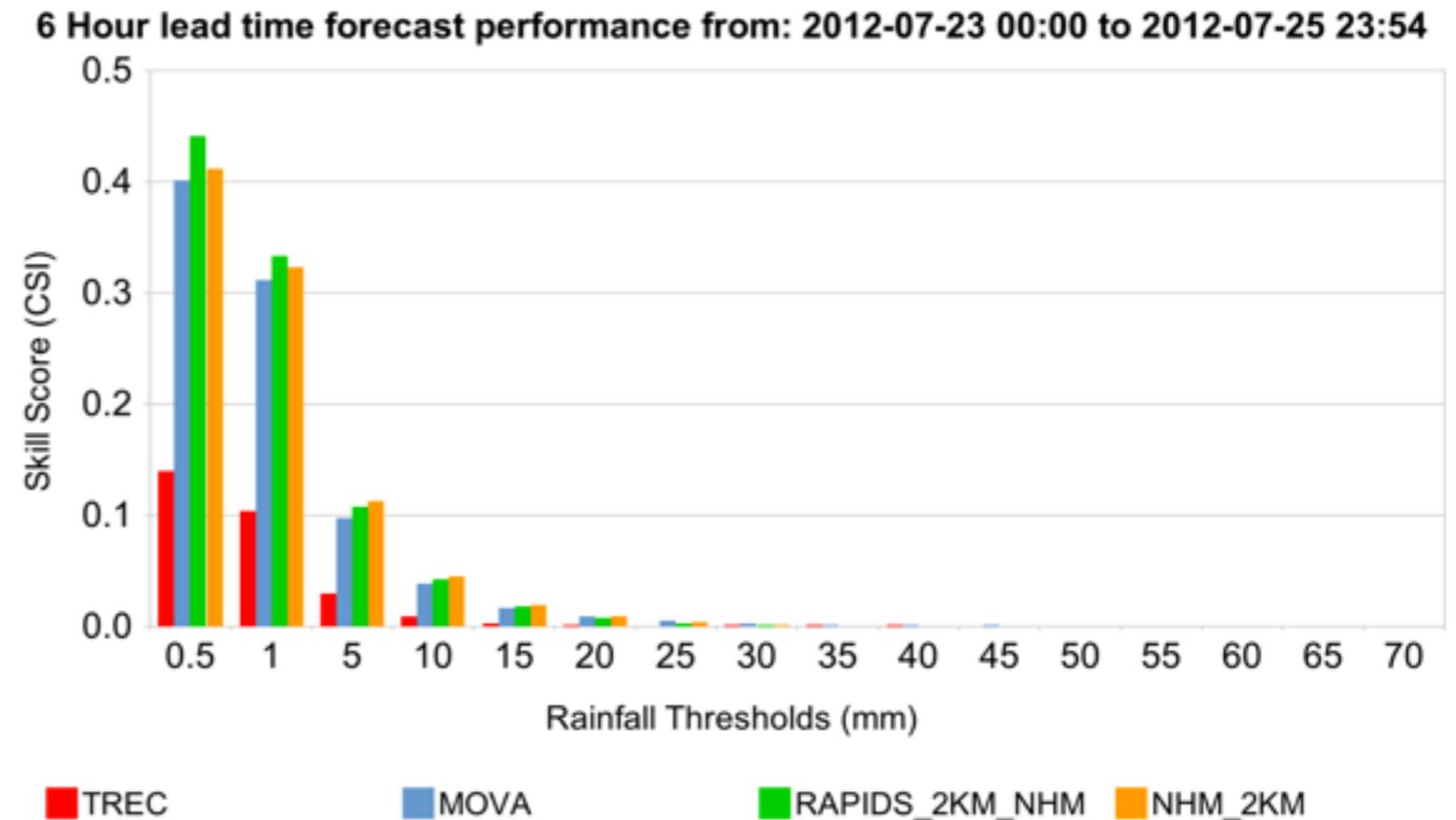
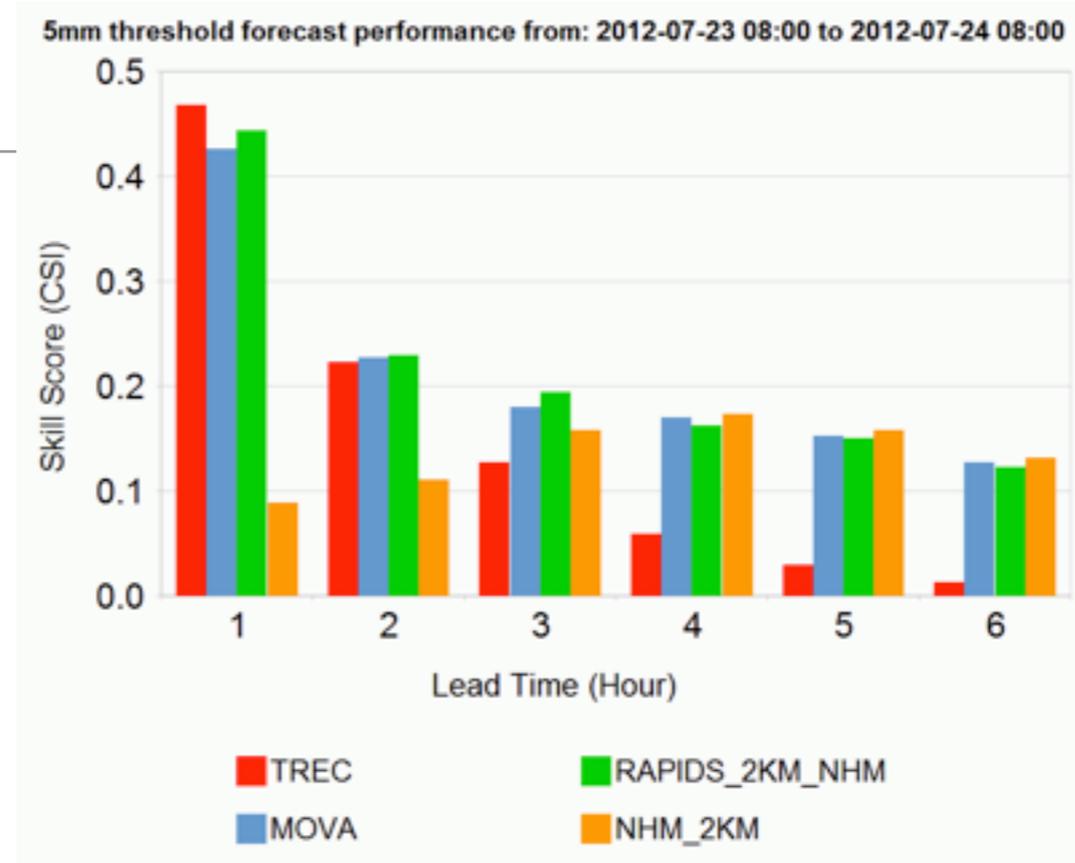
Superposition on radar nowcast using time-dependent weighting

RAPIDS-NHM forecast

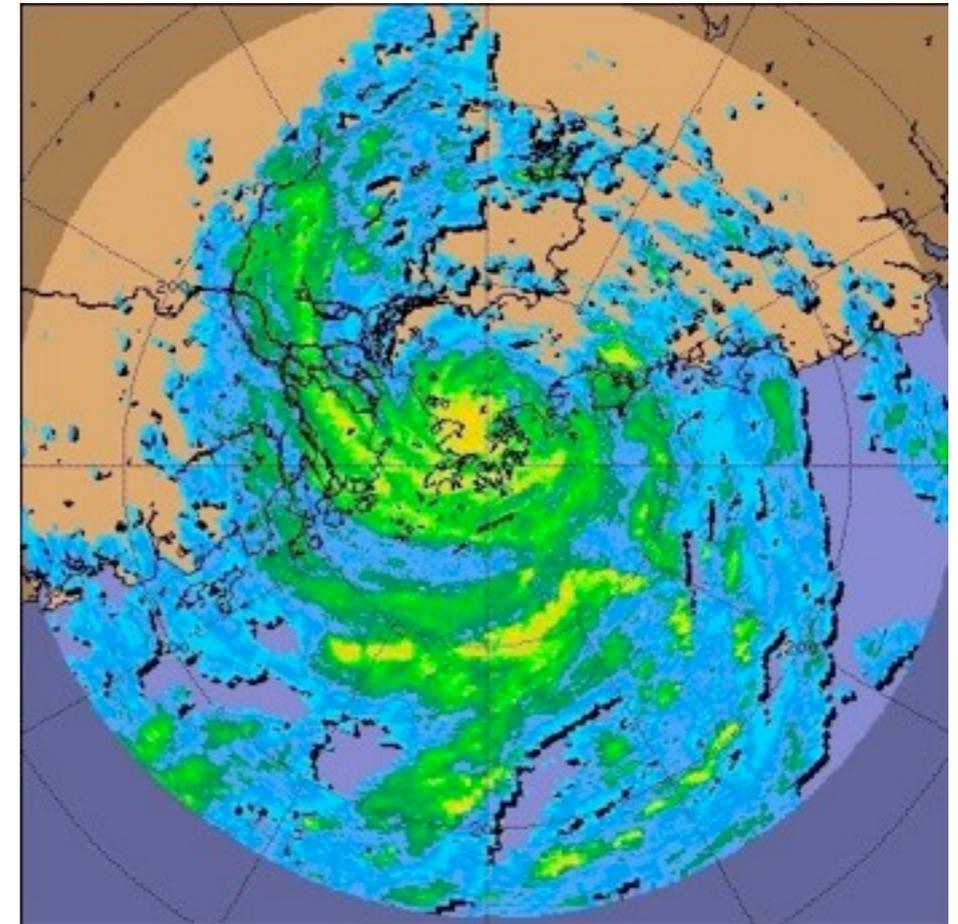
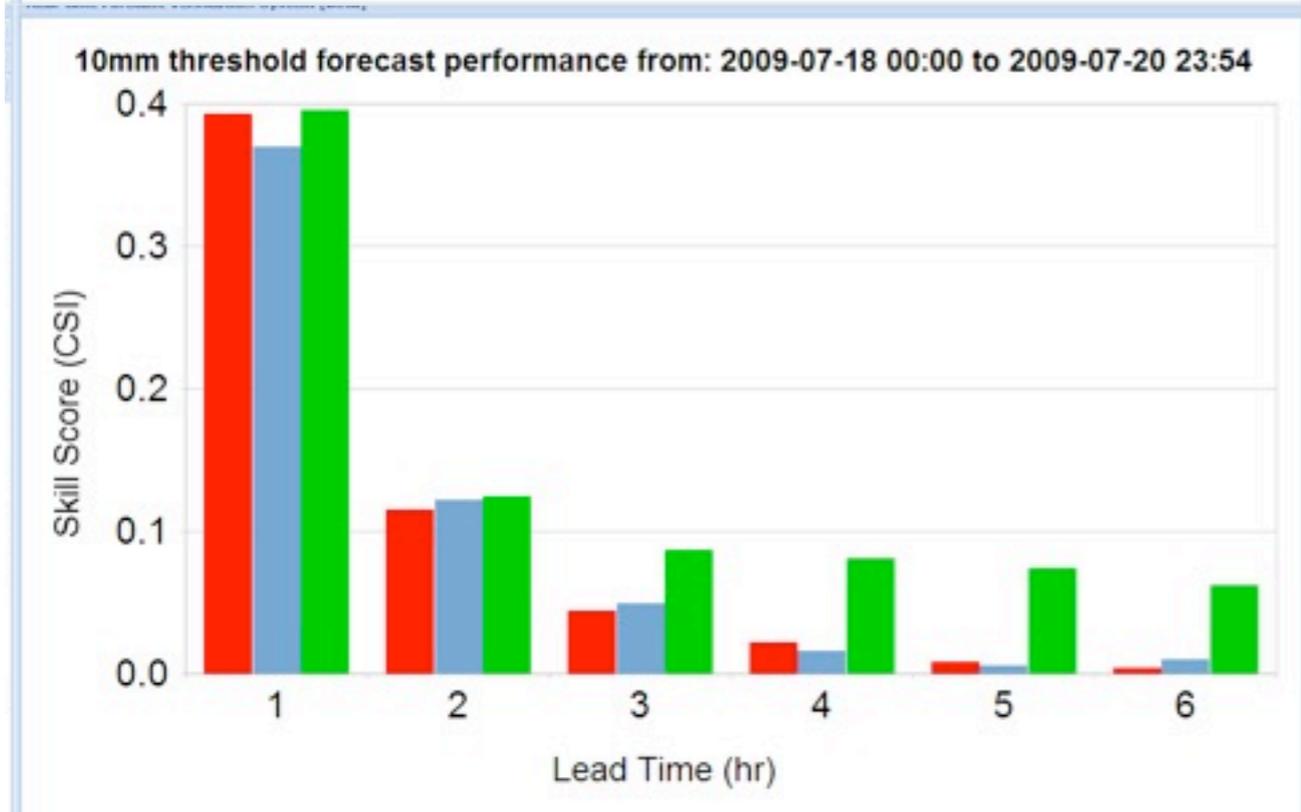
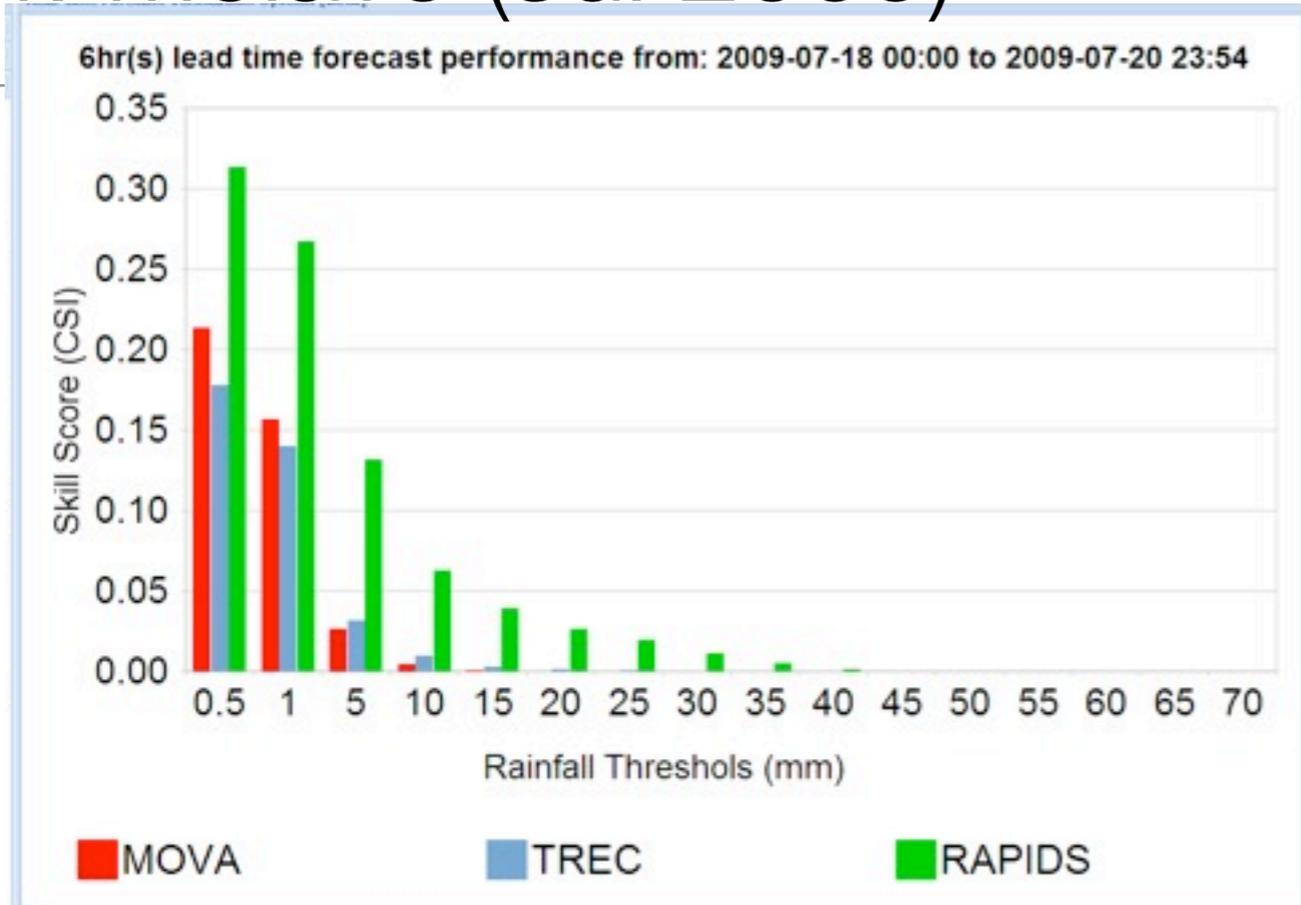


Performance

- Skill score (CSI)
- CSI of T+1 to T+6 hr nowcast
- different rainfall thresholds at T+6 hr nowcast



T. Molave (Jul 2009)

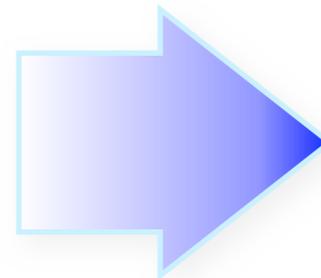


Challenges for NWP TC intensity prediction

- Model resolution
- Initial condition
 - insufficient observations
 - errors using bogus approach
- Physical processes
 - air-sea interaction
 - interactions of complex processes across different scales
 - deficient representation of physical TC processes due to incomplete understanding

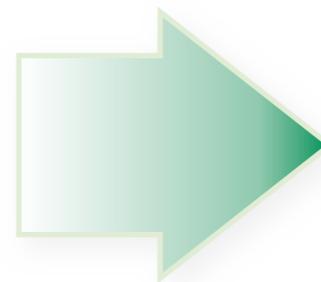
NWP TC intensity forecast

- central pressure
- maximum winds
 - or derived from pressure-wind empirical relationship



statistical post-processing to generate warning of high winds, TC signal/warning probability

- wind distribution



direct model outputs of wind forecast to predict high wind regions and development ??

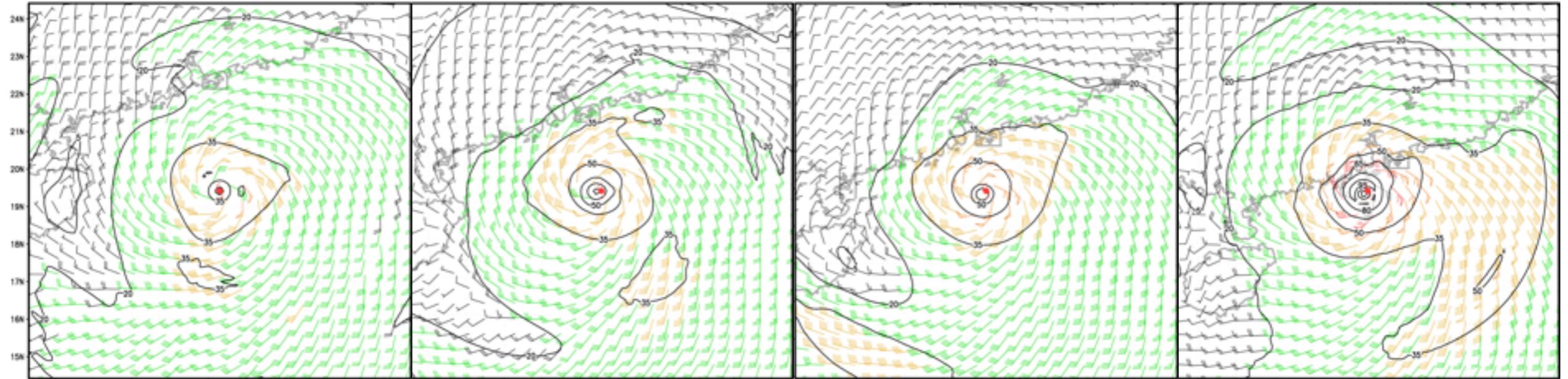
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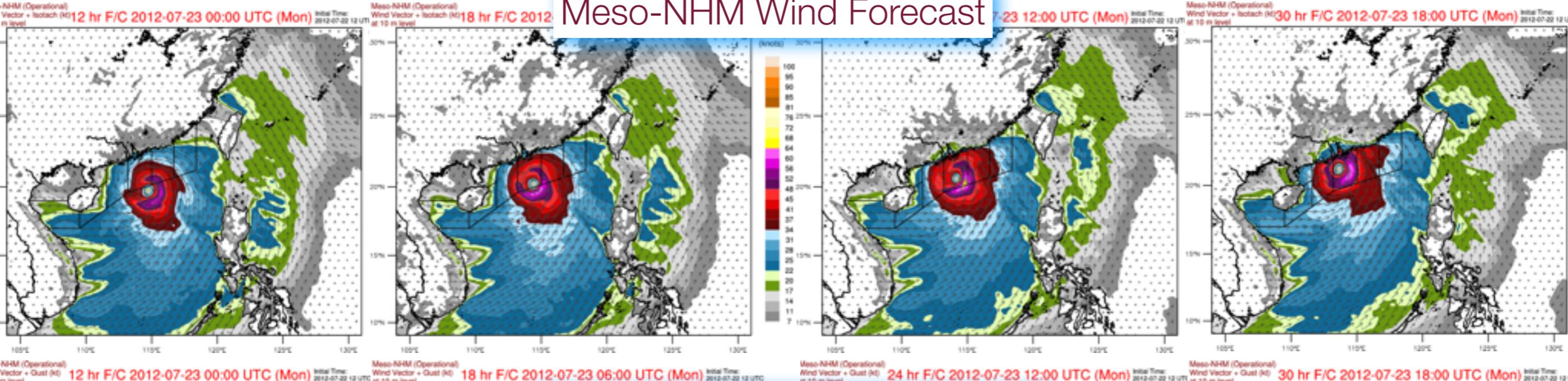
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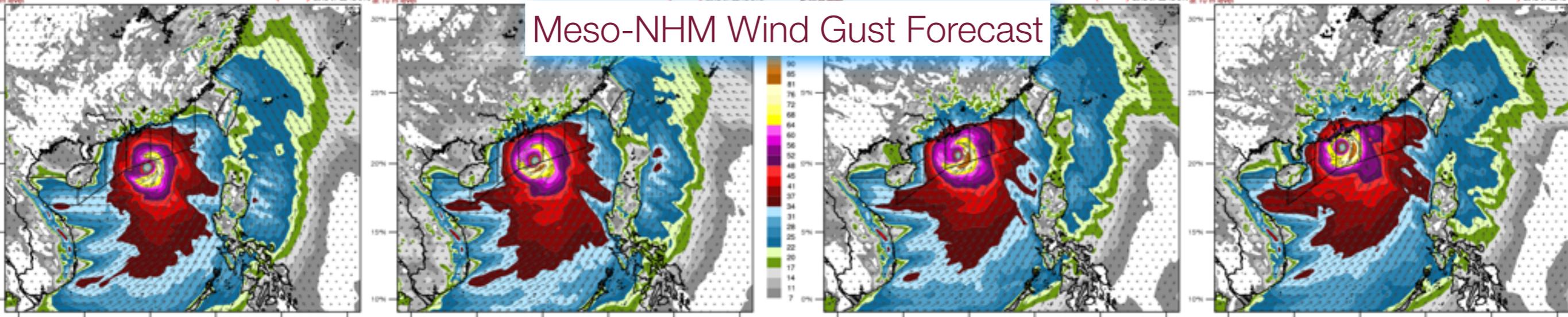
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Meso-NHM Wind Forecast



Meso-NHM Wind Gust Forecast



Formulation of wind gust forecasts

- surface roughness and stability effects

$$u_{10,gust} = f(u_{10}, z, L)$$

u_{10} = wind speed at 10 m level

z = height

L = Monin Obukhov length scale

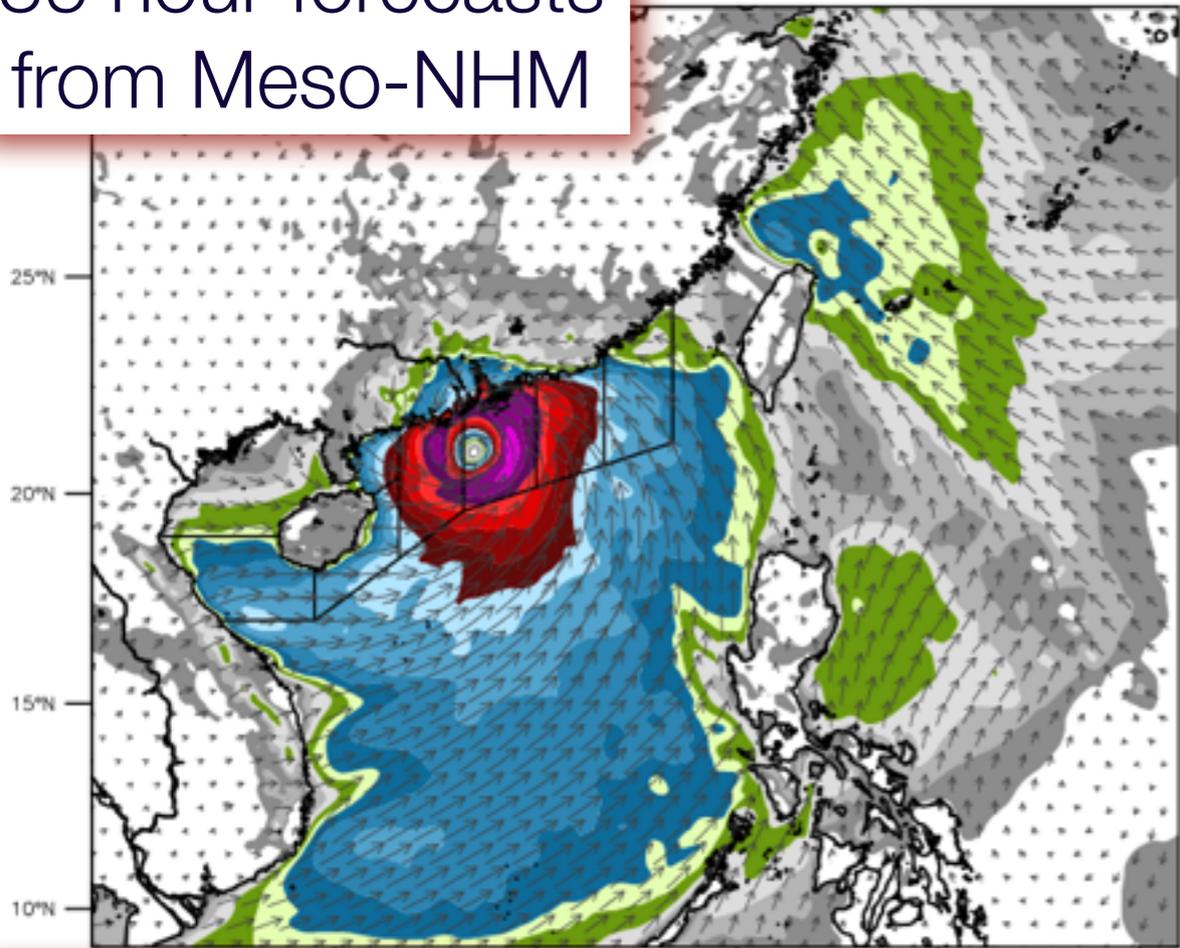
- convective component derived from low-level wind shear effects

$$u_{10,gust} = \alpha \max(0, u_{850} - u_{950})$$

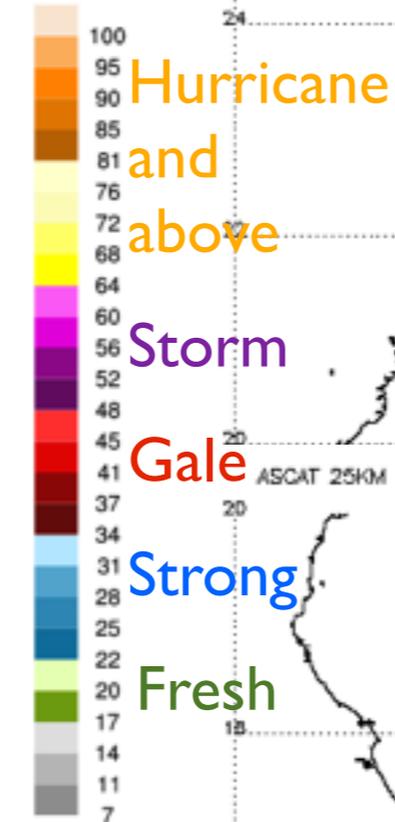
$$\alpha \sim 0.6$$

36 hour forecasts from Meso-NHM

23 12:00 UTC (Mon) Initial Time: 2012-07-22 00 UTC

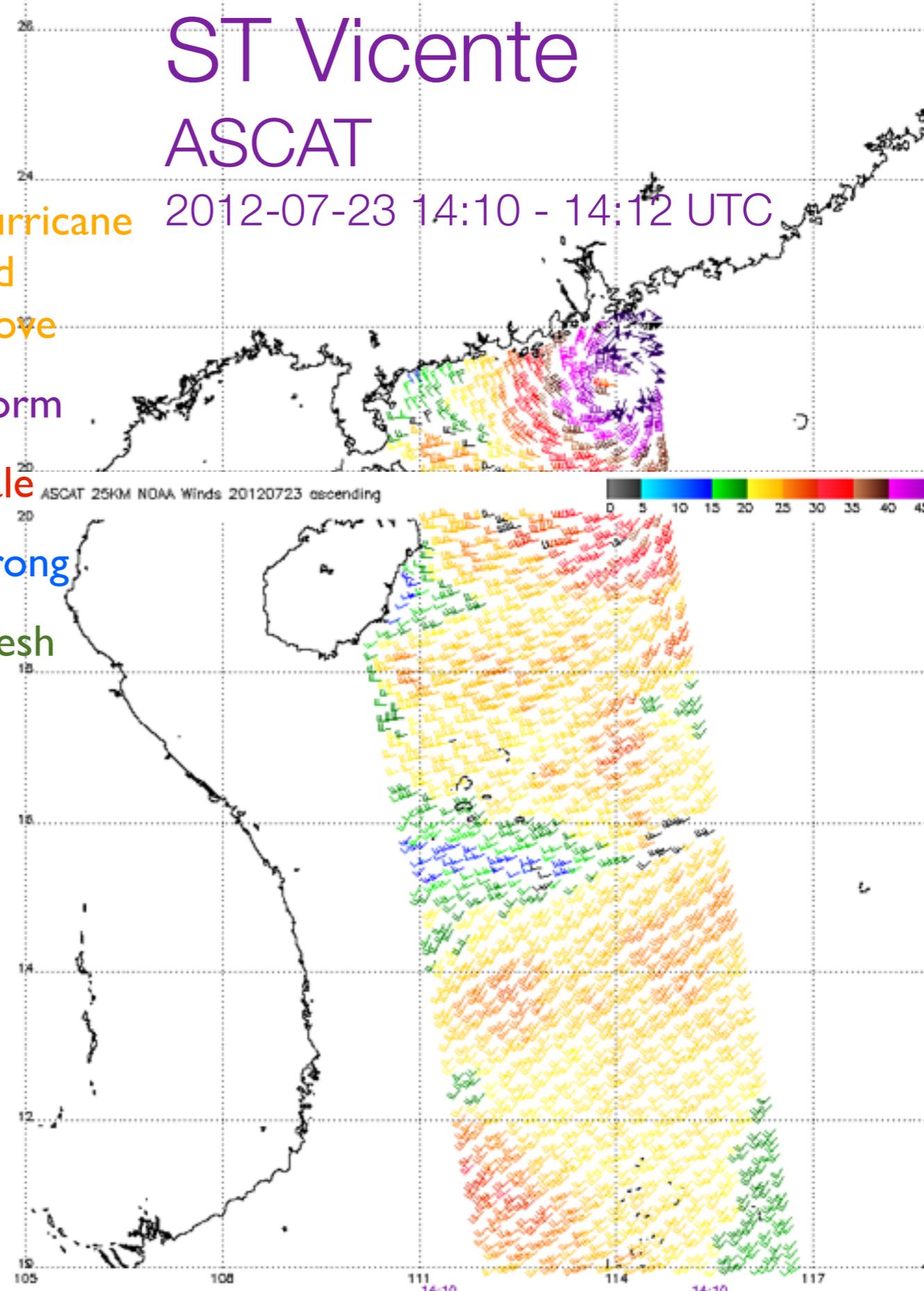


Wind speed (knots)



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2012-07-23 14:10 - 14:12 UTC

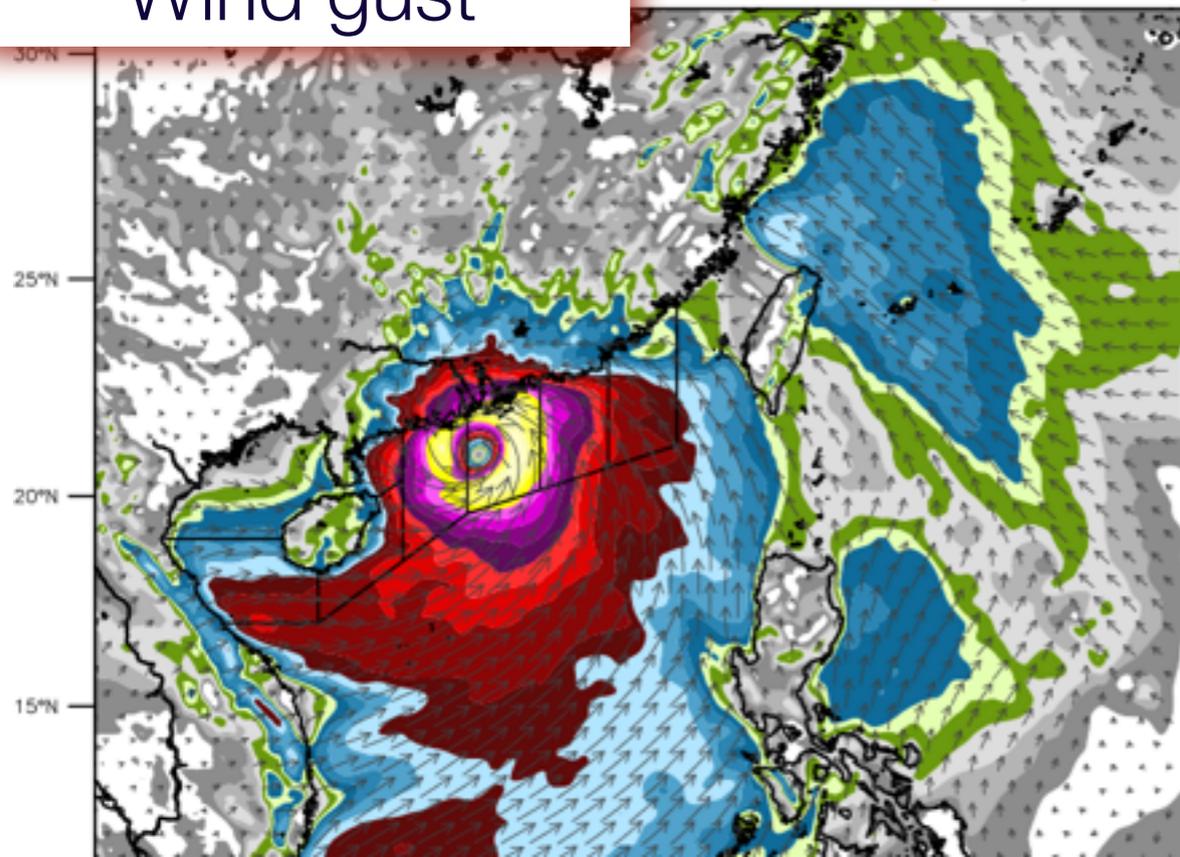


ASCAT 25KM NOAA Winds 20120723 ascending

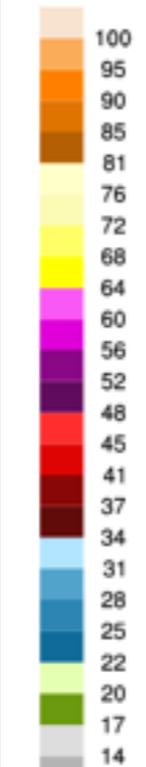


Wind gust

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Wind gust (knots)

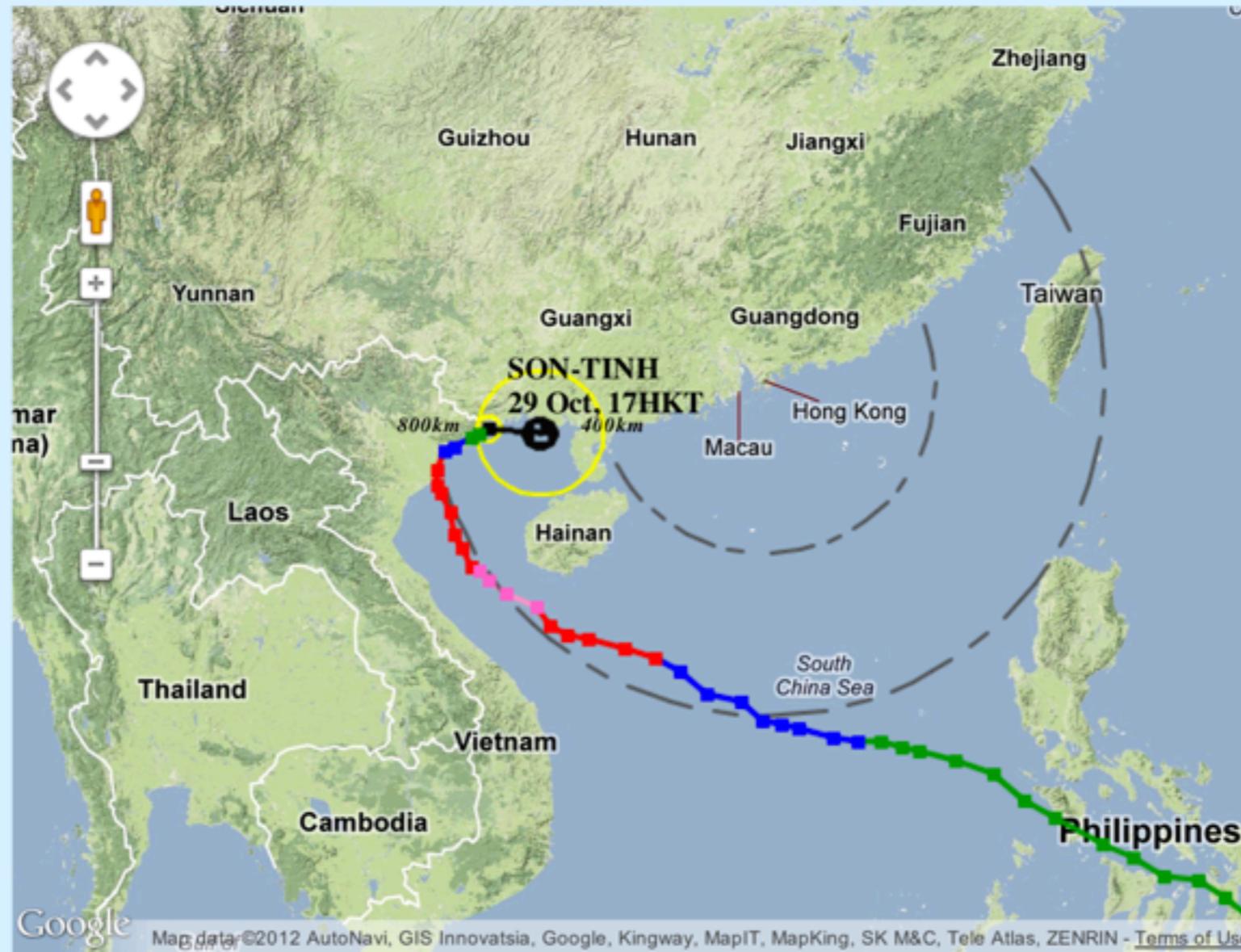


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Tropical cyclone Son-Tinh

Tropical Cyclone Track Information

Tropical Cyclone:



Name: Tropical Depression SON-TINH

Date: 29 Oct 2012

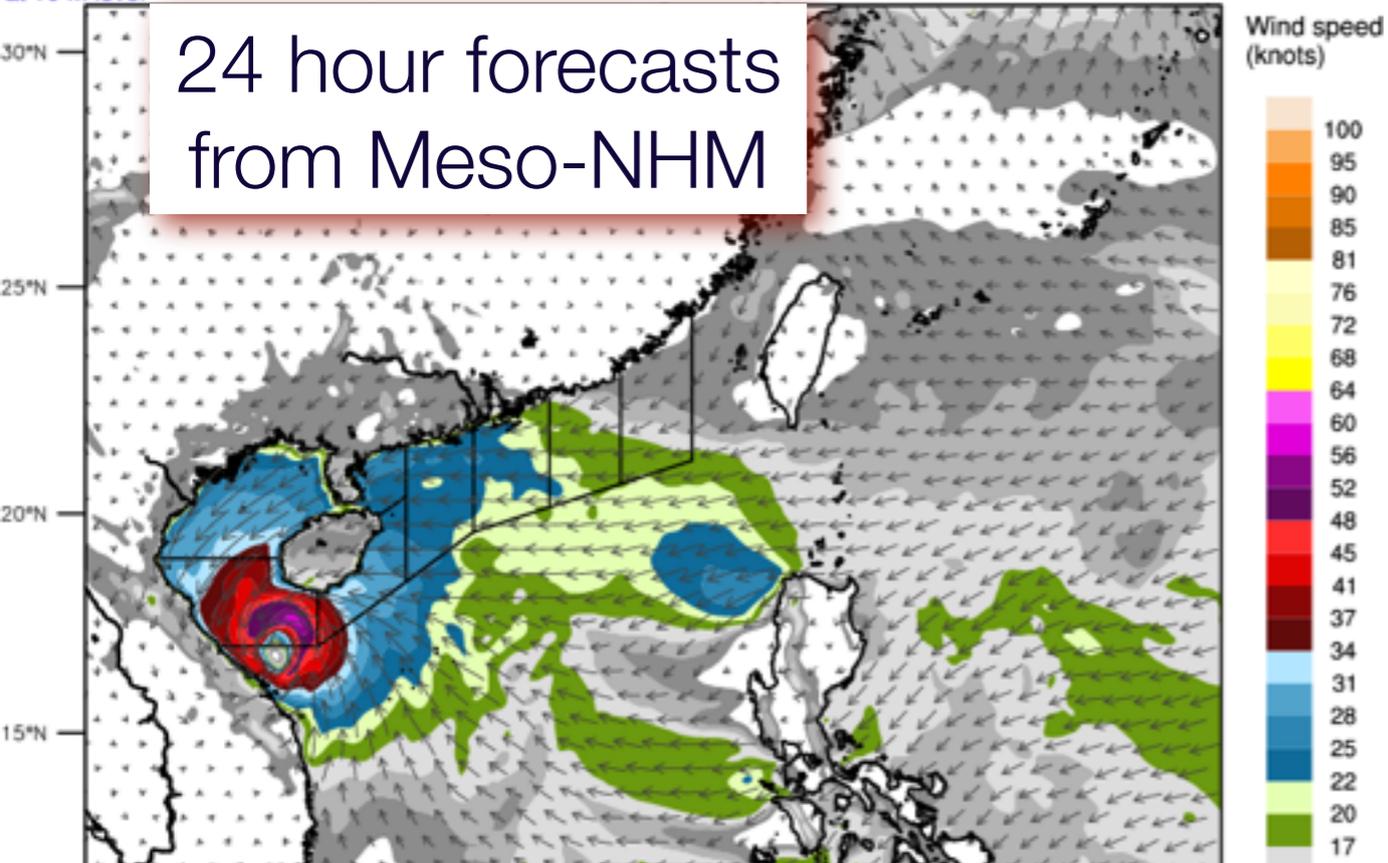
Time: 17 HKT

Position: 21.4 N, 107.8 E (about 670 km west of Hong Kong)

Maximum sustained wind near centre: 55 km/h

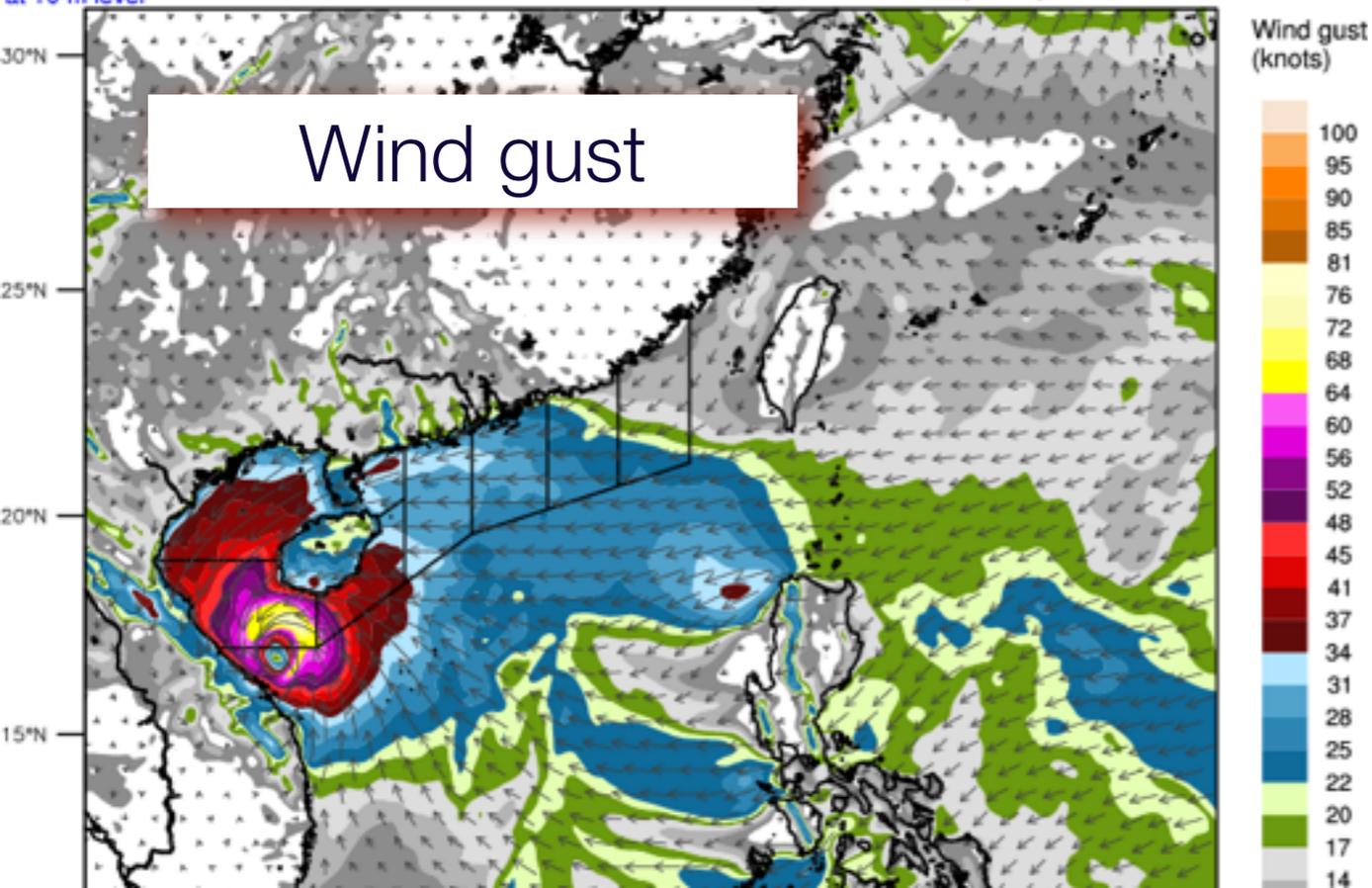
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Wind Vector + Isotach (kt) 24 hr F/C 2012-10-27 12:00 UTC (Sat) Initial Time: 2012-10-26 12 UTC
at 10 m level

24 hour forecasts
from Meso-NHM

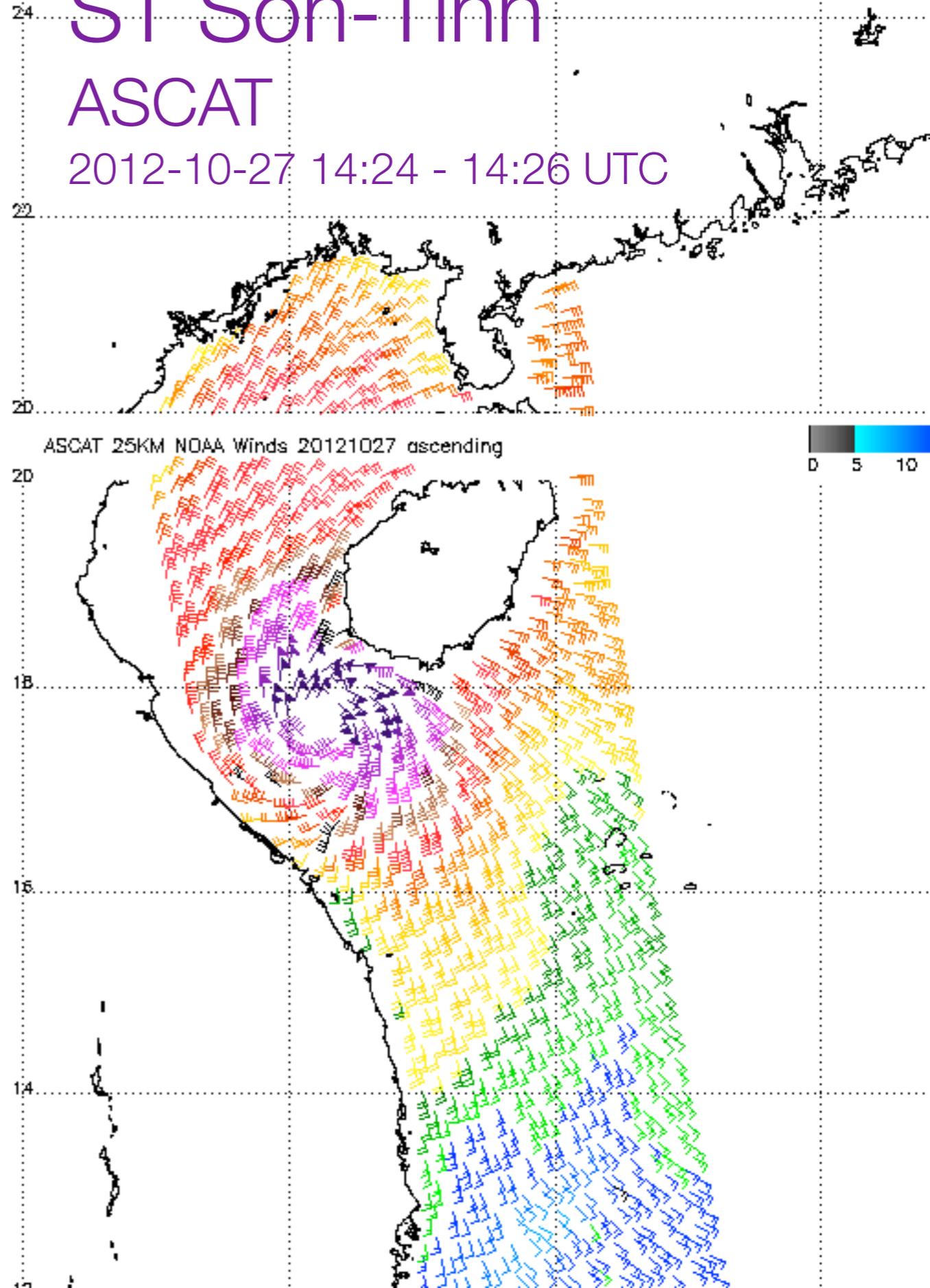


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Wind Vector + Gust (kt) 24 hr F/C 2012-10-27 12:00 UTC (Sat) Initial Time: 2012-10-26 12 UTC
at 10 m level

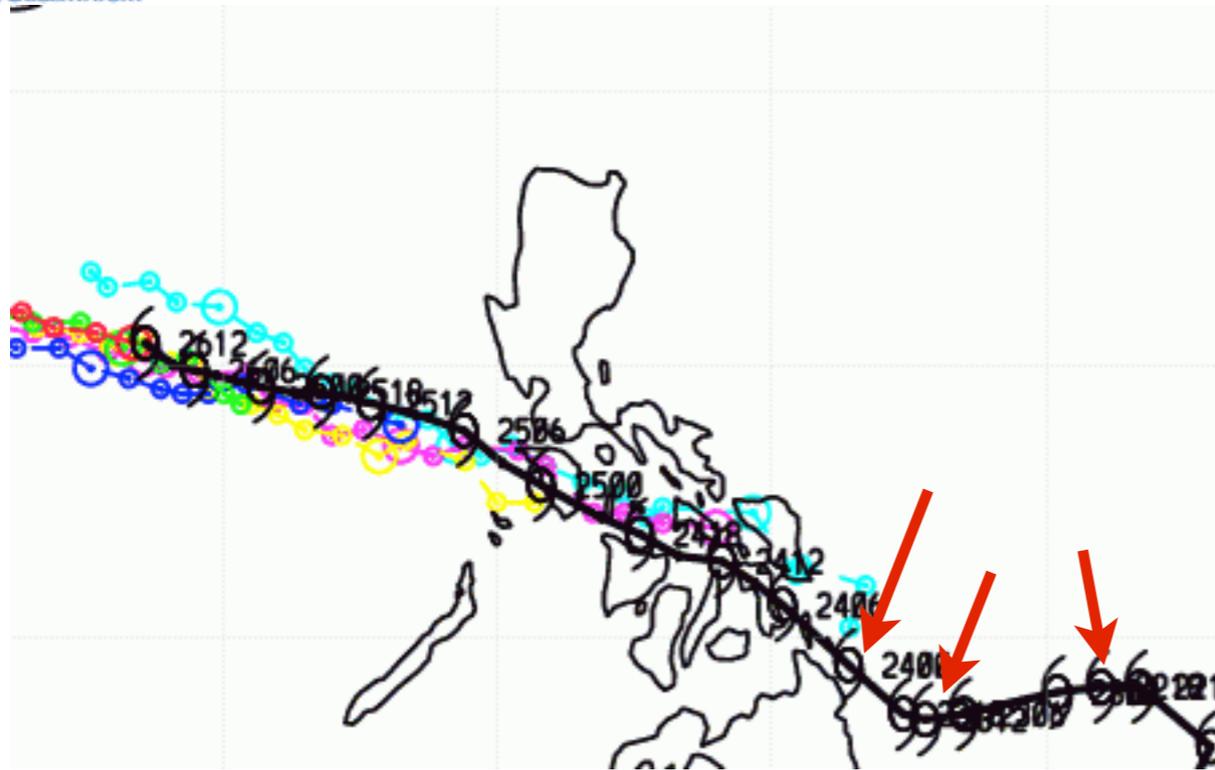
Wind gust



ST Son-Tinh
ASCAT
2012-10-27 14:24 - 14:26 UTC



When Son-tinh crossed
the Philippines ...

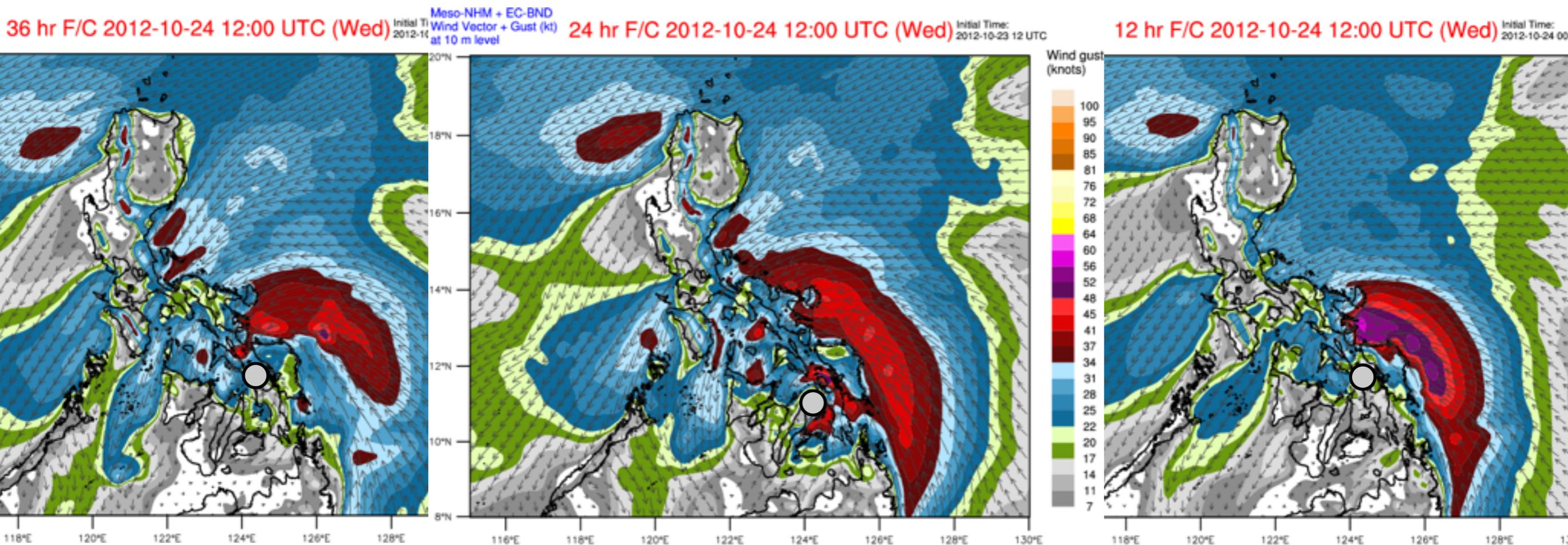


Forecast runs from
23/00, 23/12Z and
24/00Z

HKO warning intensity at 24/12
Z: 65 km/hr (TS)

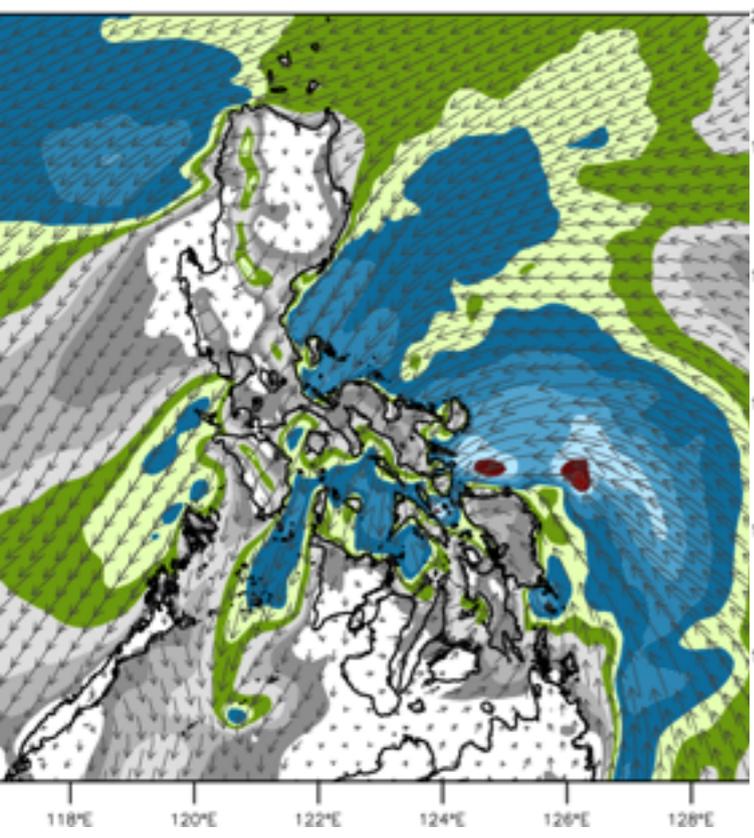
Forecast centres from all
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Forecast wind gust distributions

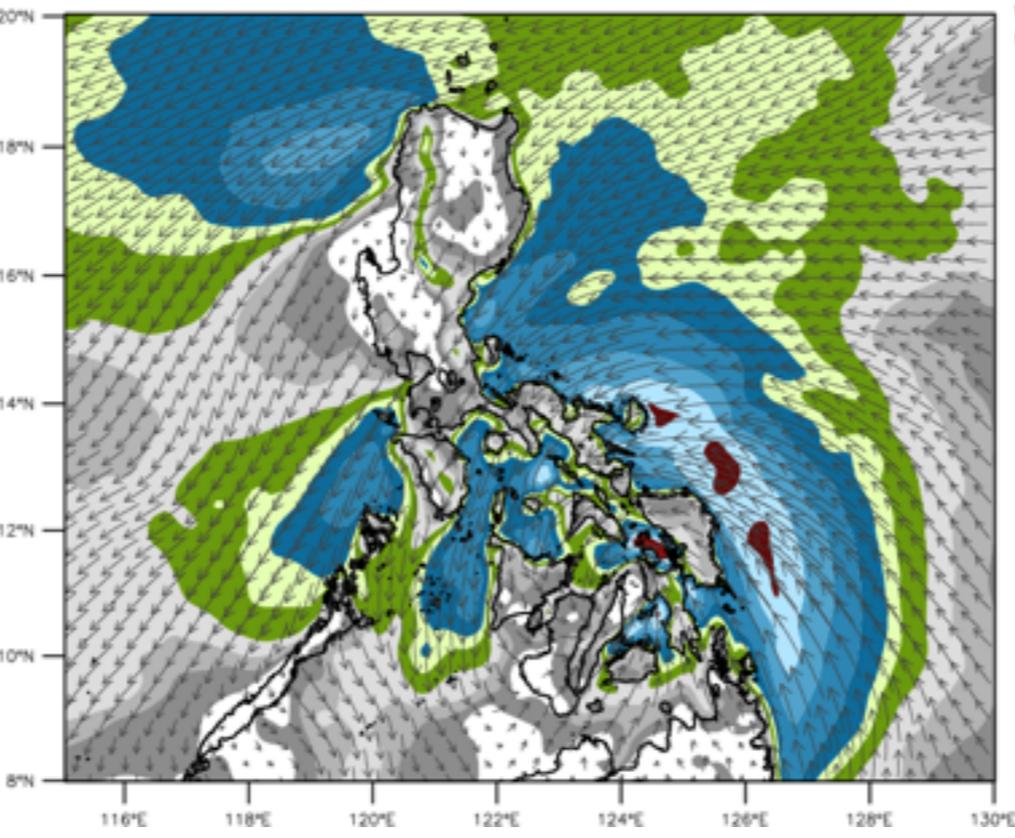


Compare forecast winds at 10 m (top) and wind gust (bottom) in next slide ...

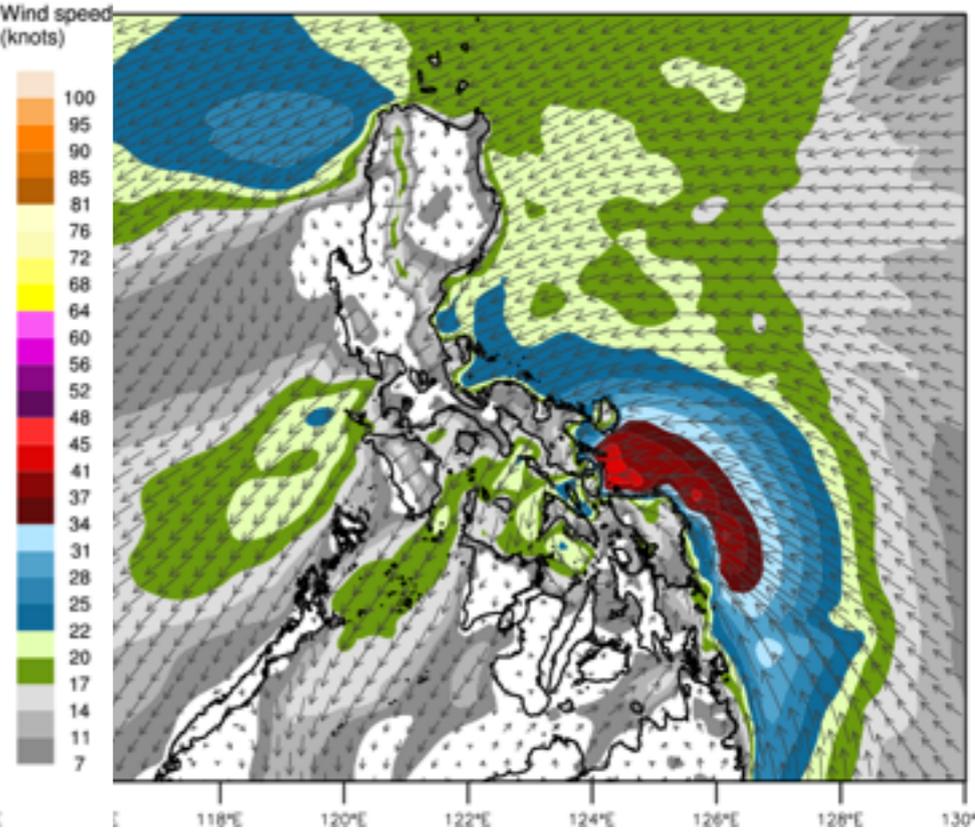
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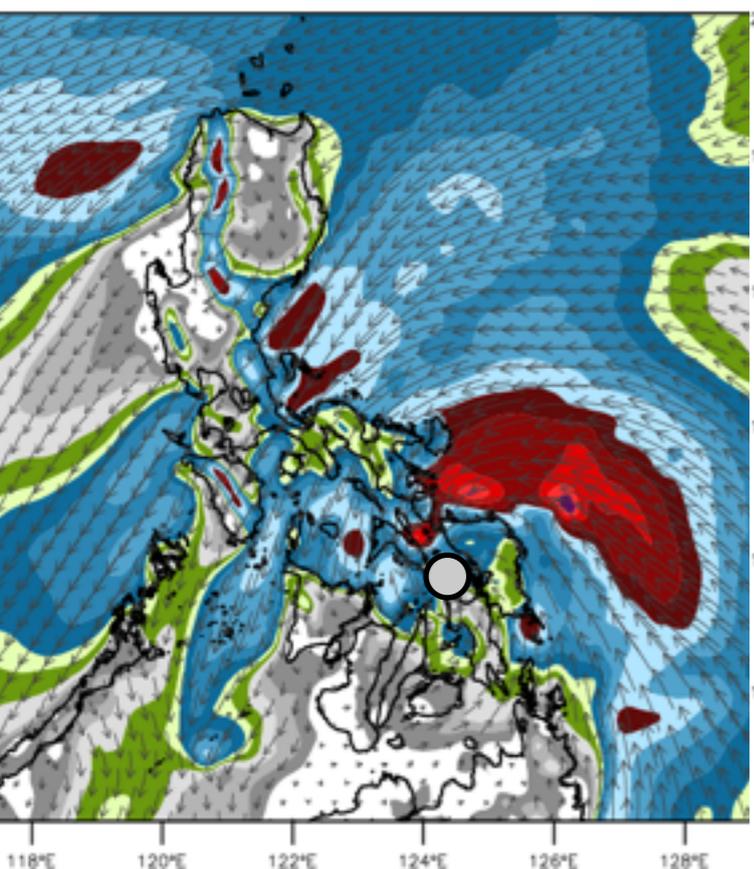
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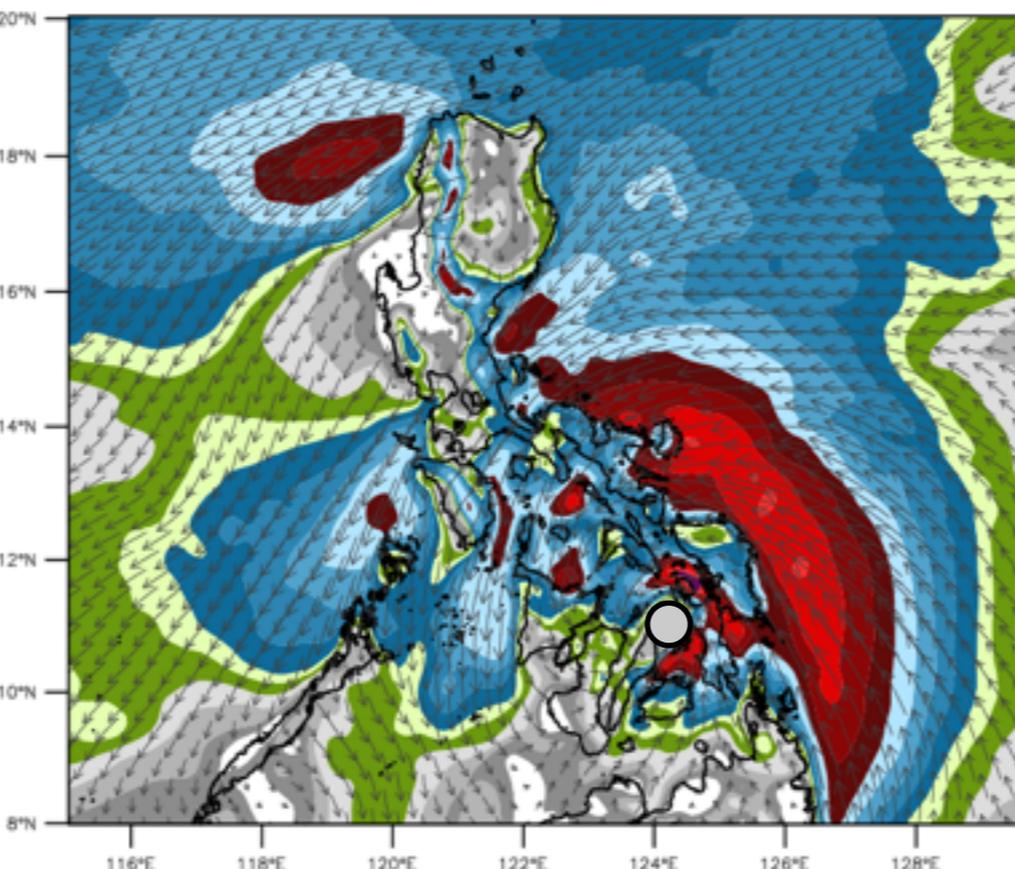
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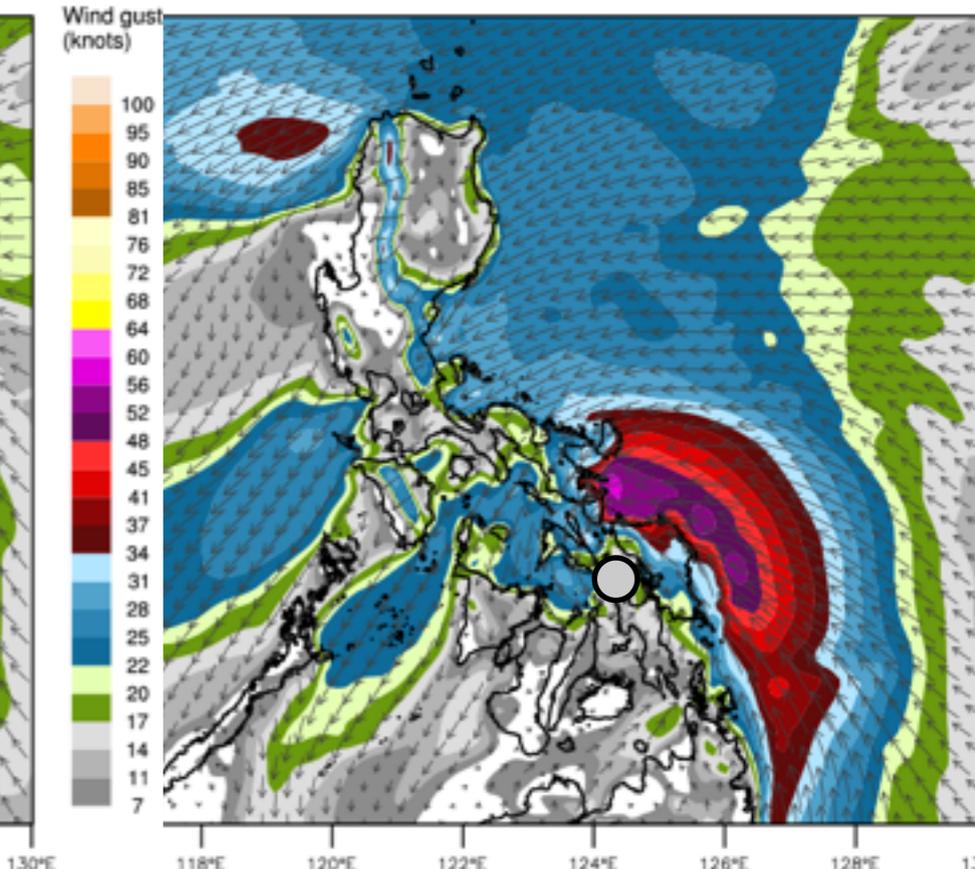
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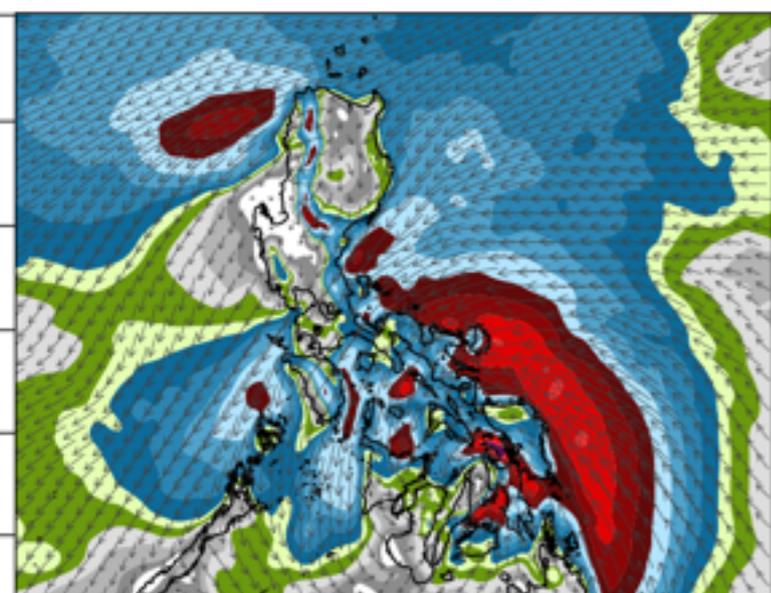
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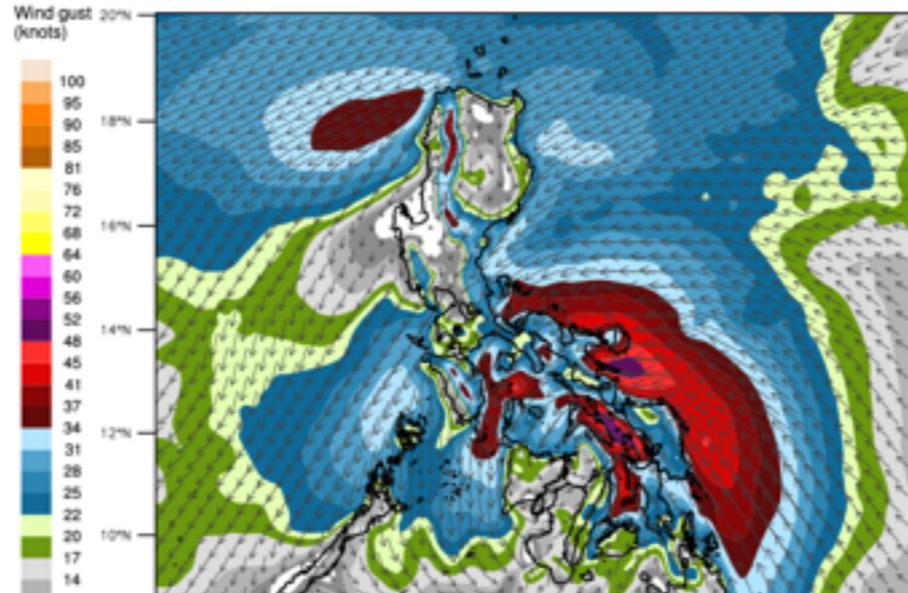
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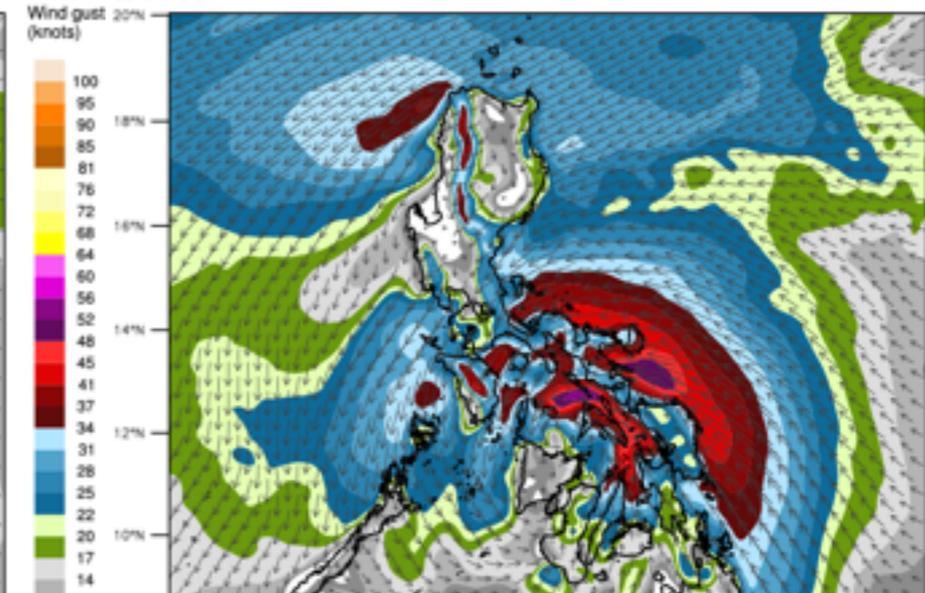
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Vector + Gust (kt)
m level
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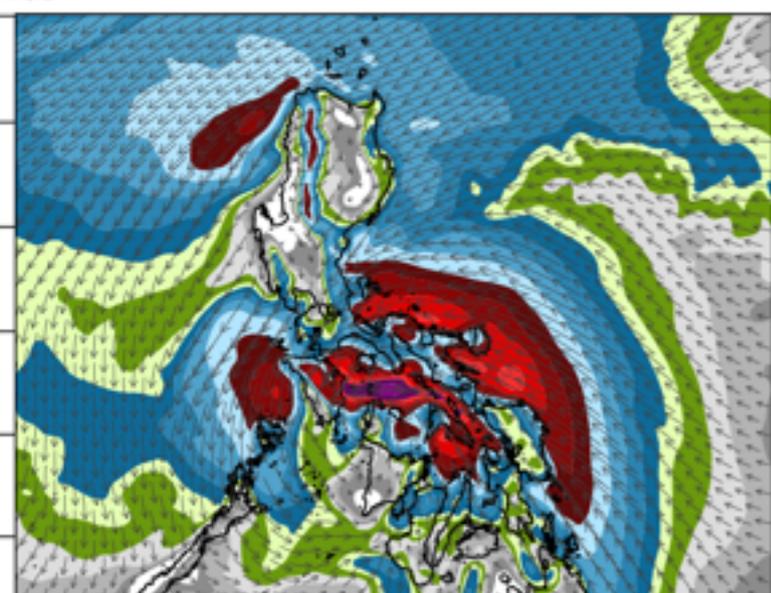
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Wind Vector + Gust (kt)
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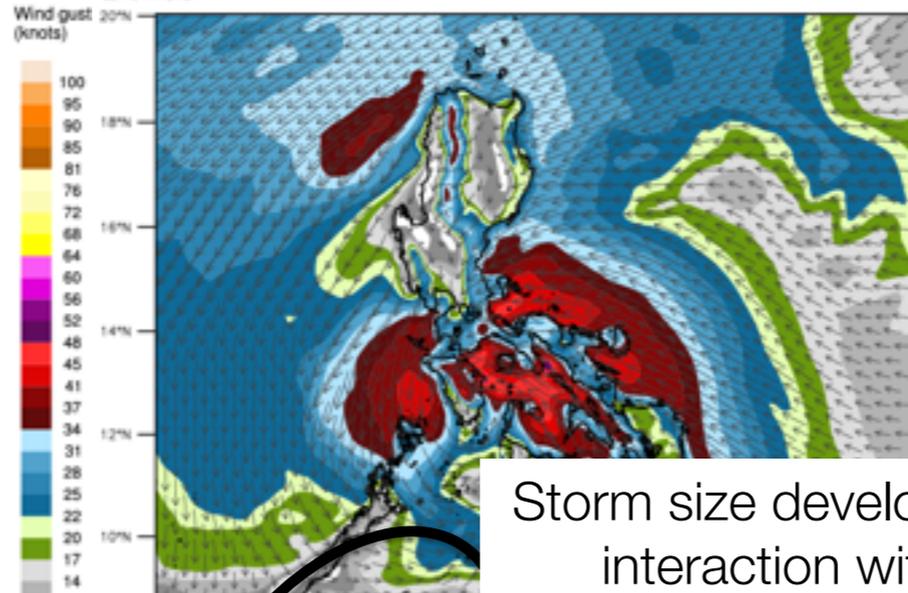
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Wind Vector + Gust (kt)
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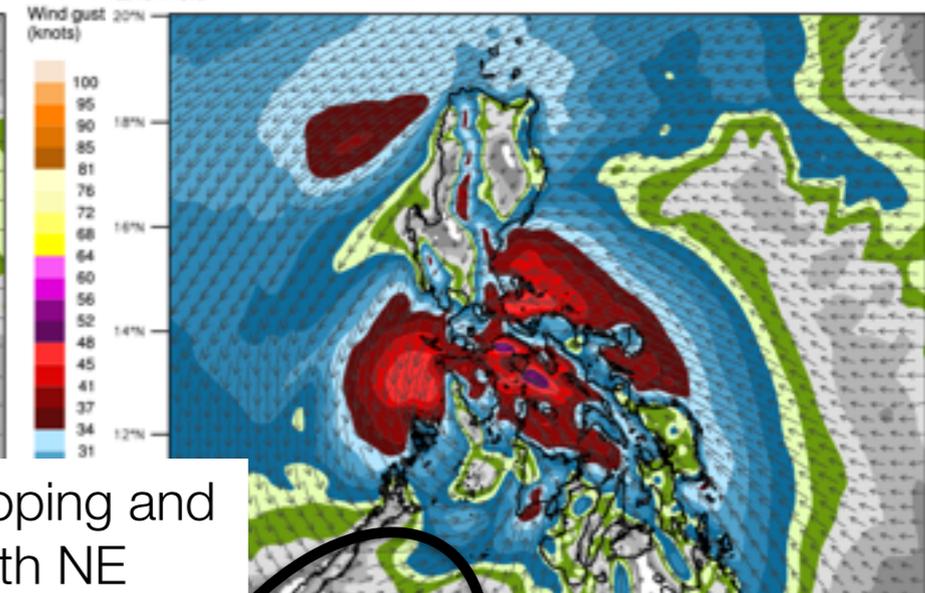
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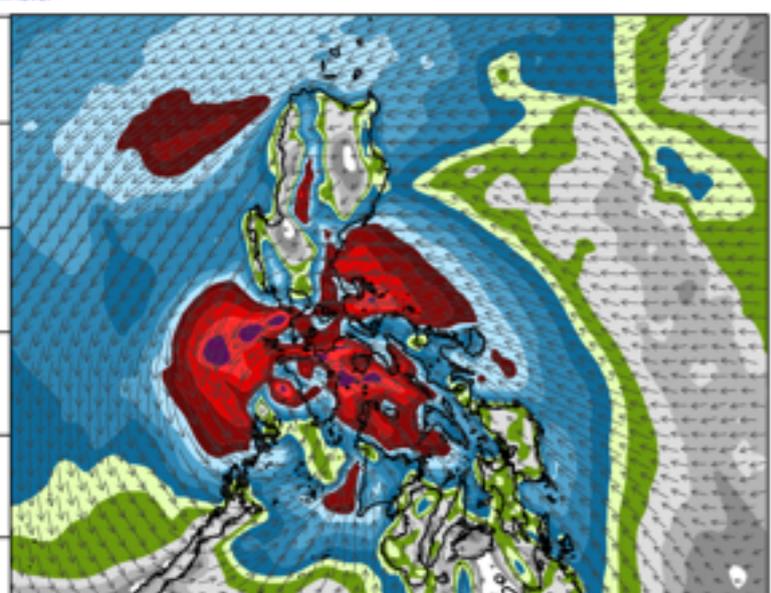
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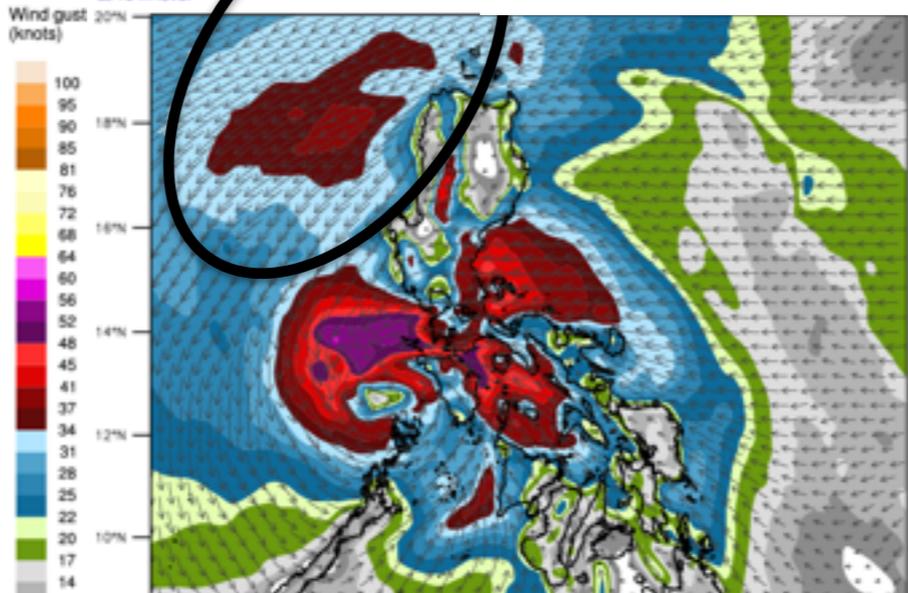
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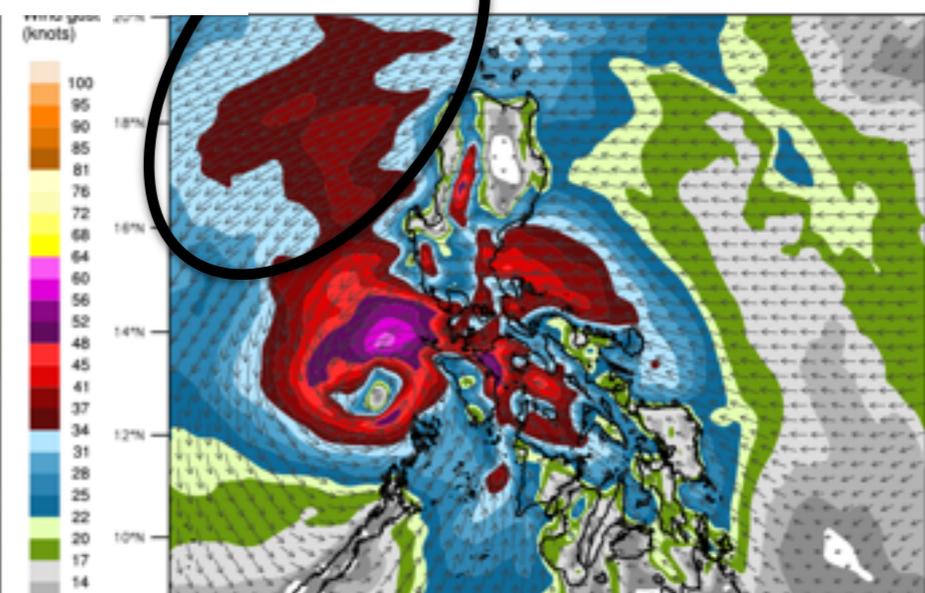
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m level
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Meso-NH + EC-BND
Wind Vector + Gust (kt)
at 10 m level
45 hr F/C 2012-10-25 09:00 UTC (Thu) Initial Time: 2012-10-23 12 UTC



Meso-NH + EC-BND
Wind Vector + Gust (kt)
at 10 m level
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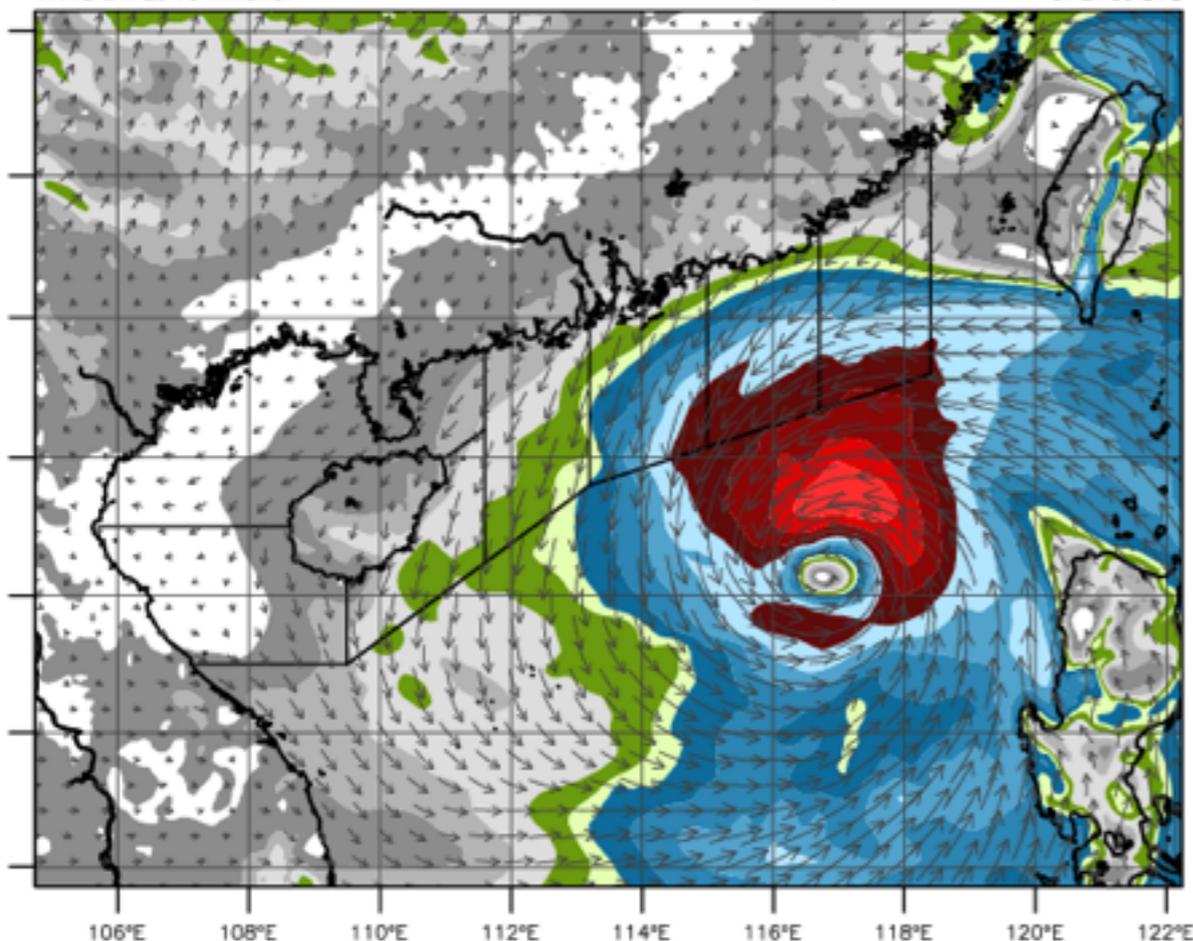


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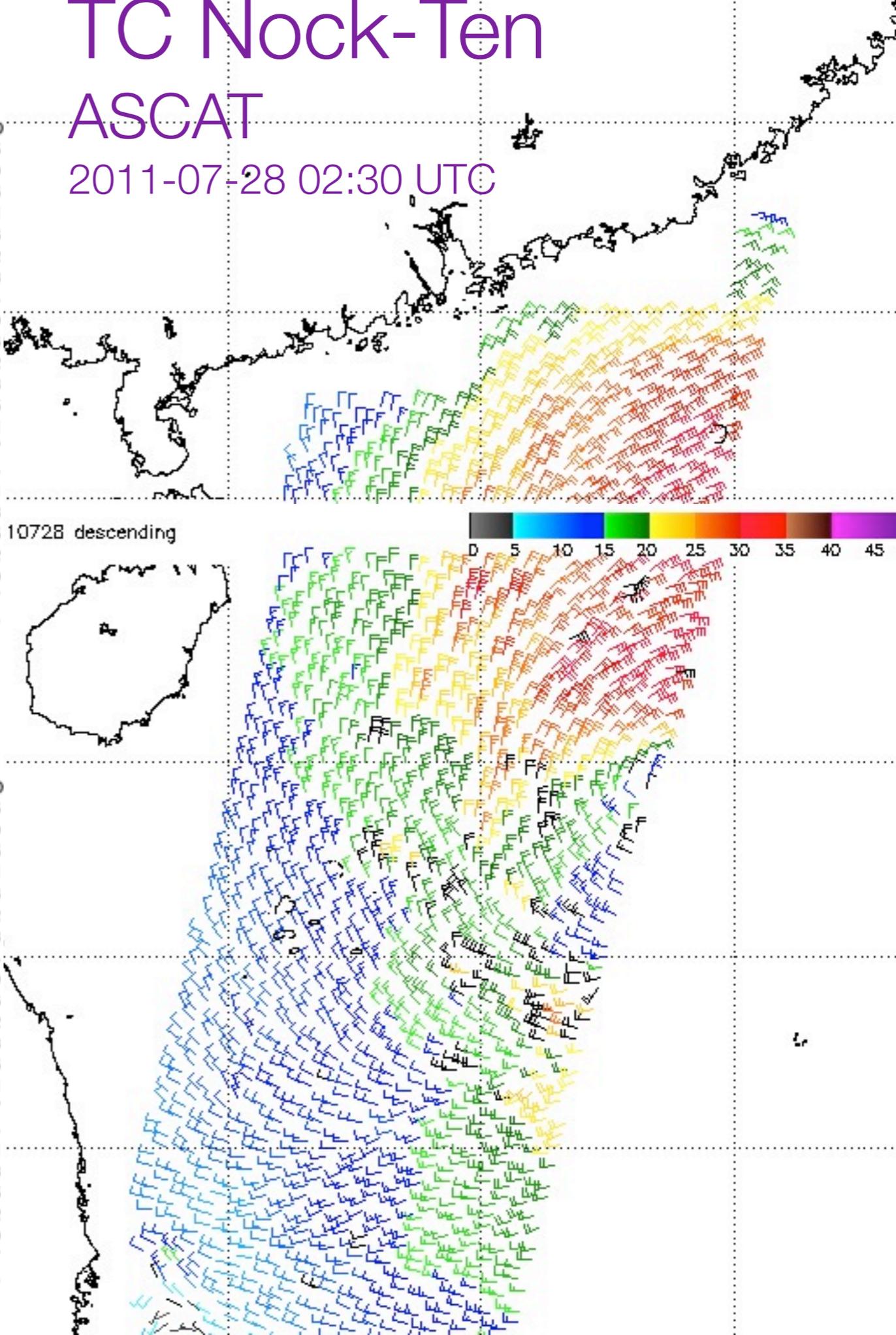
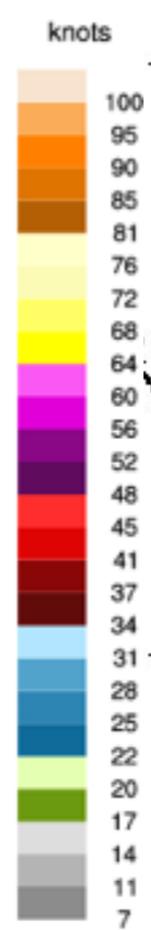
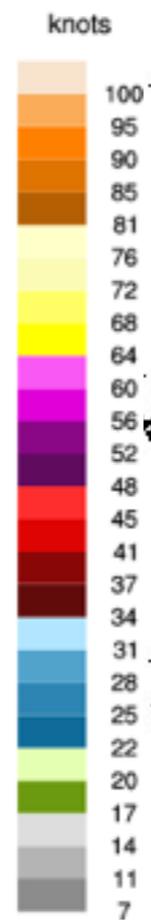
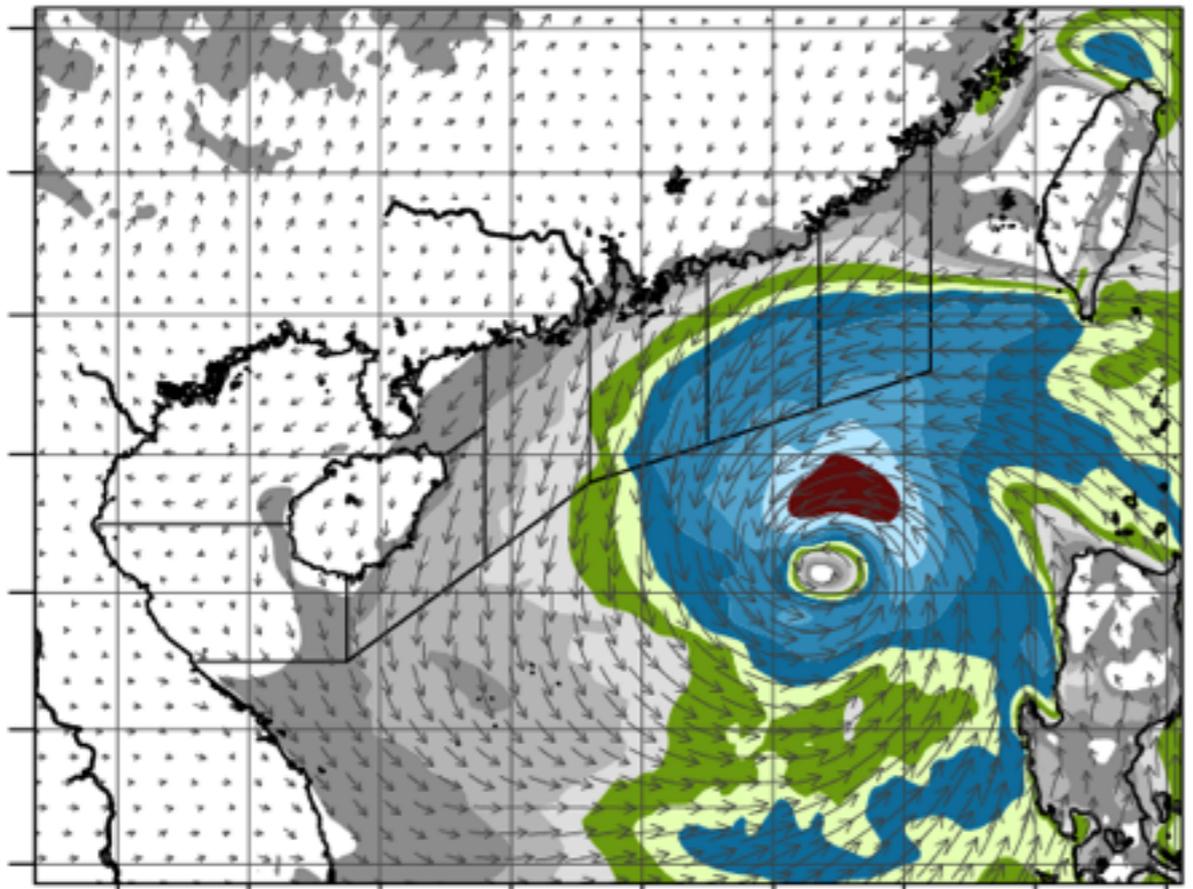
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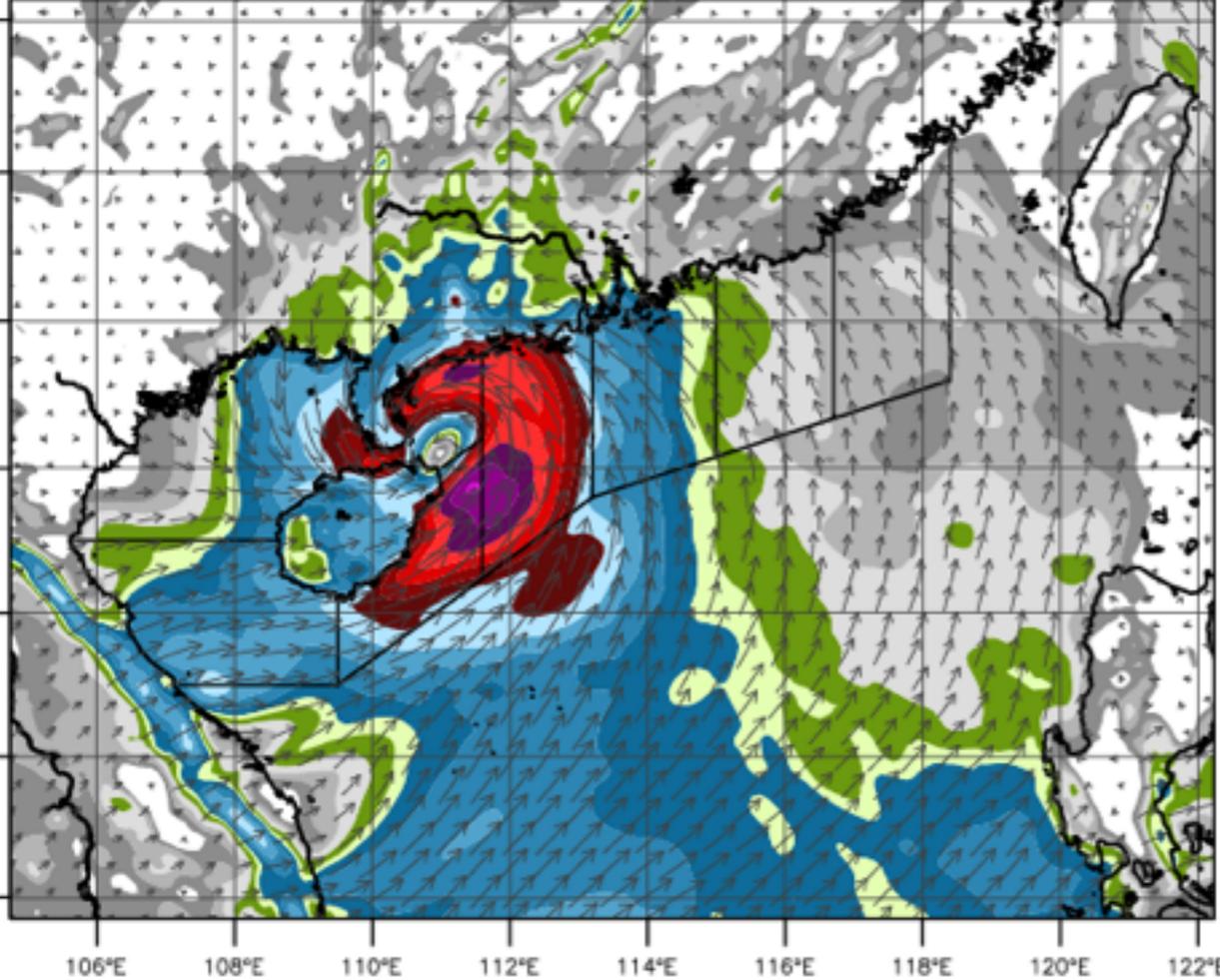


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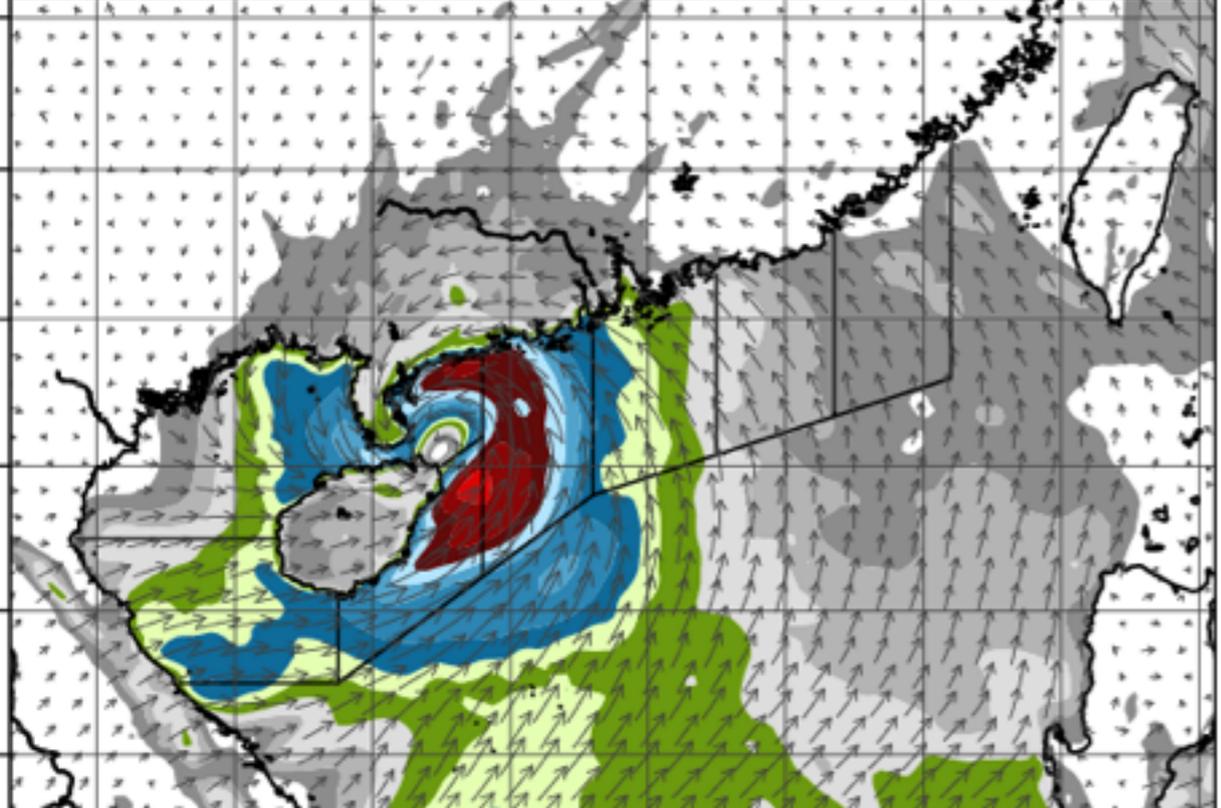


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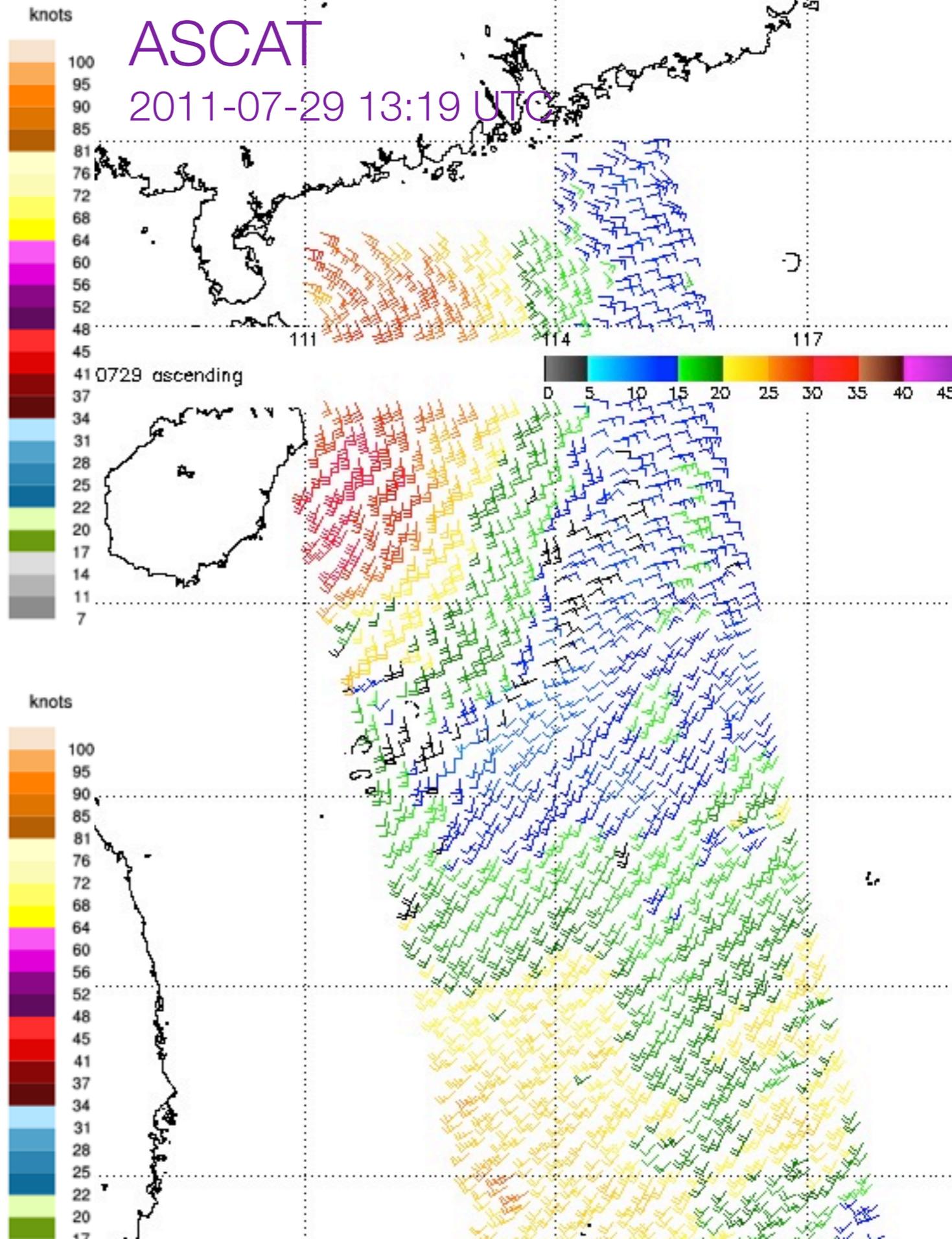
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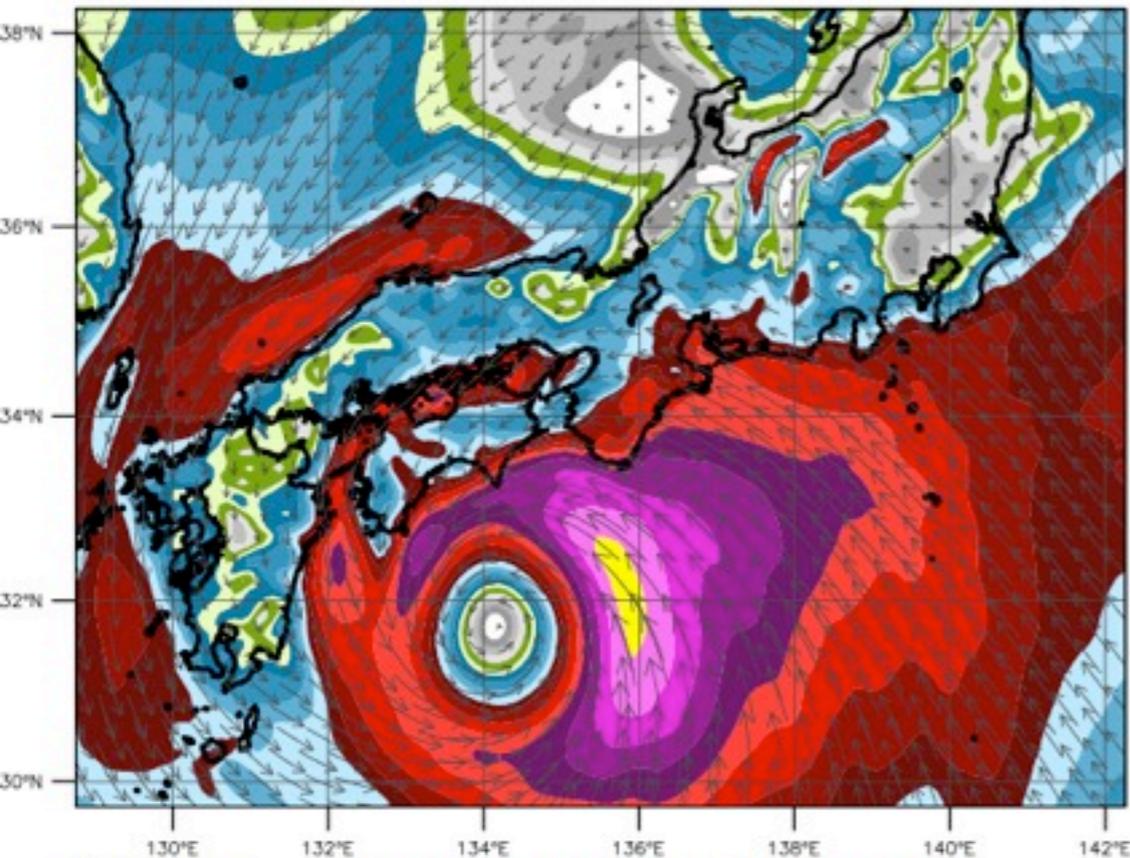
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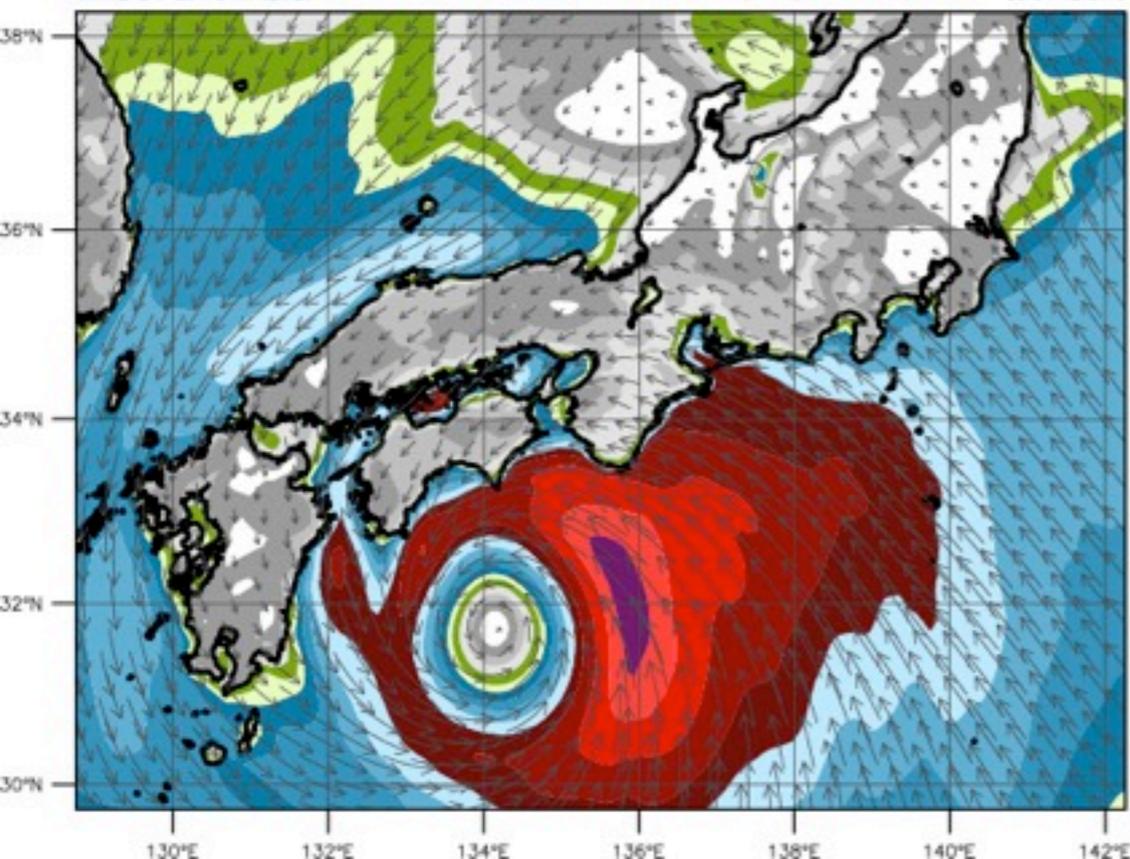


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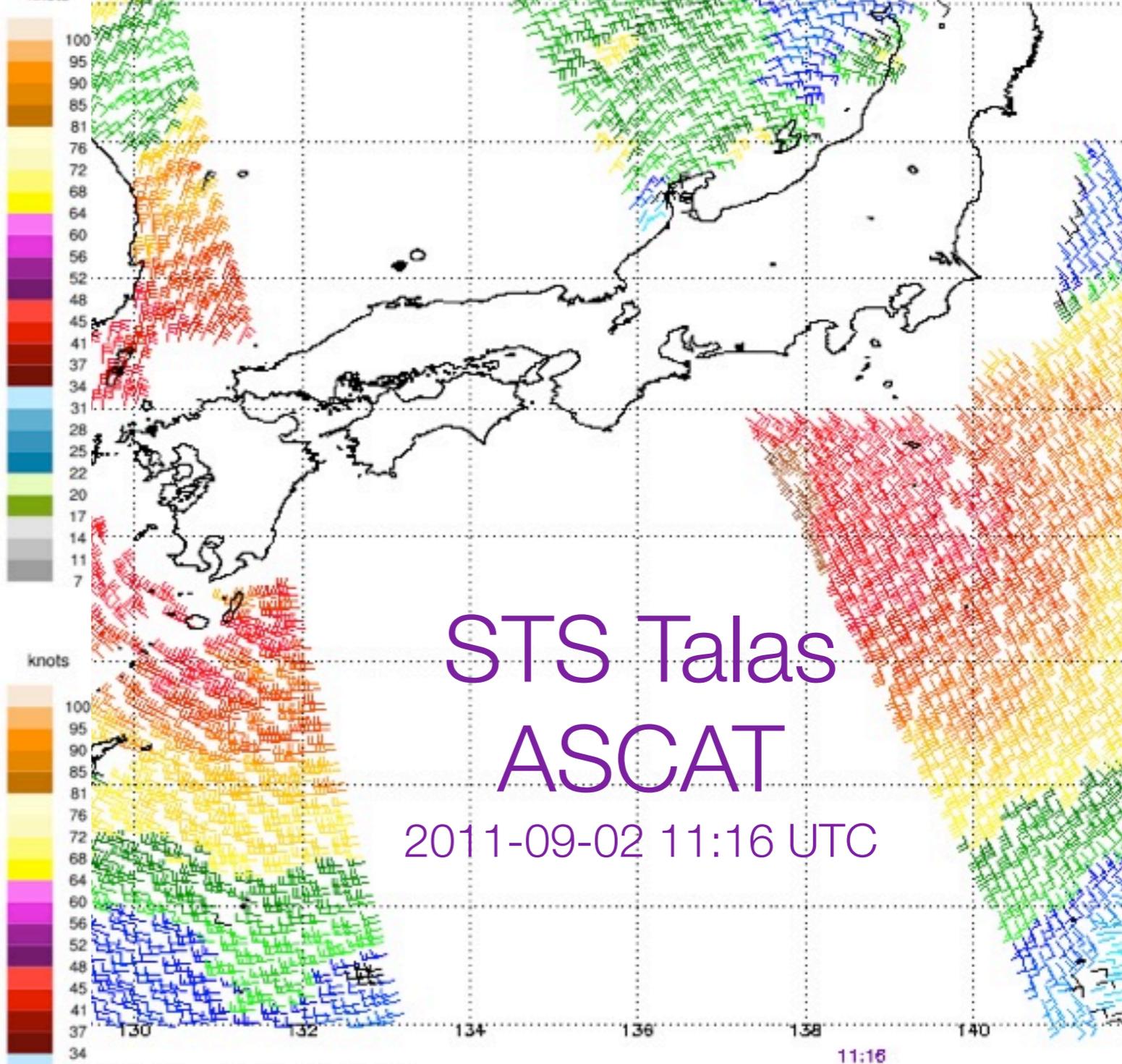
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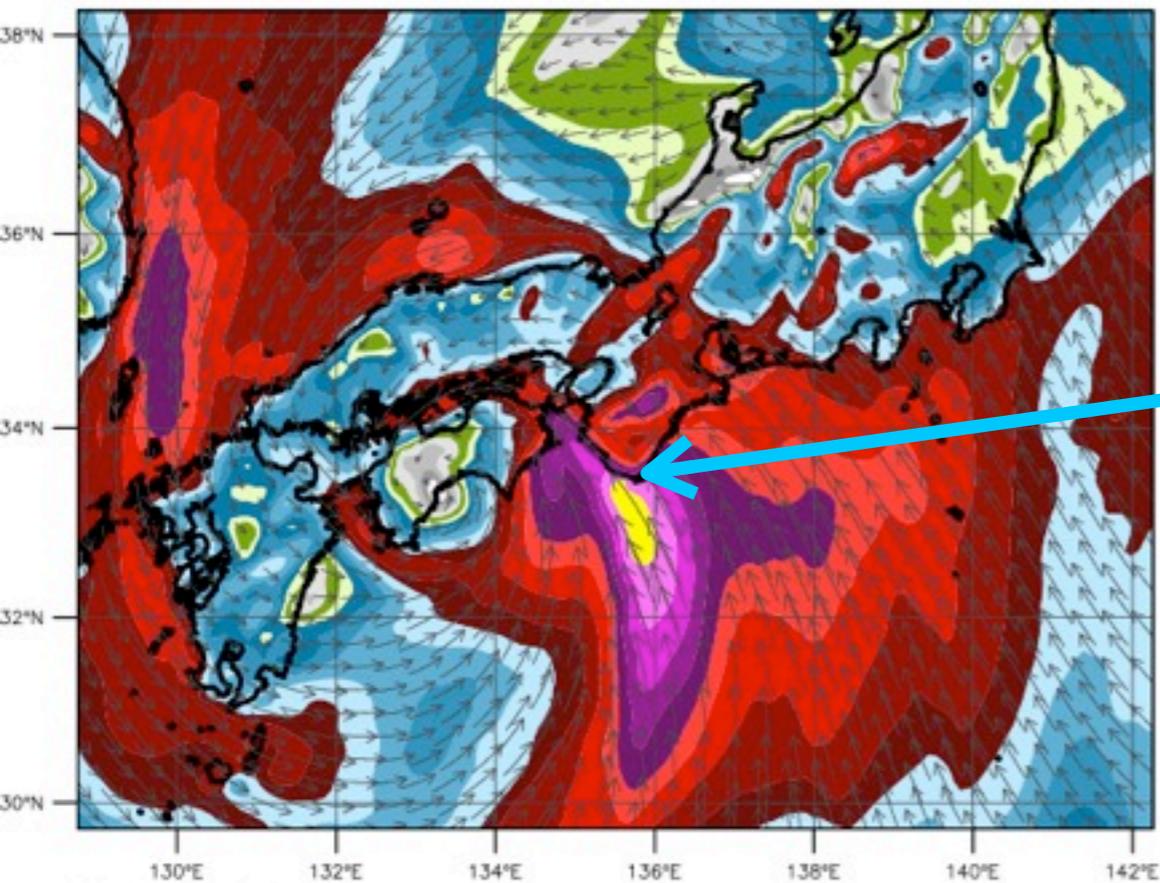
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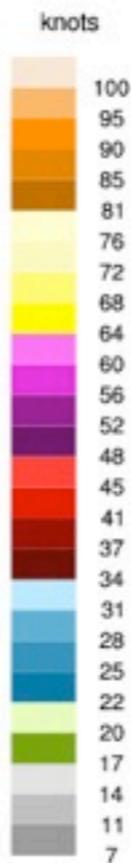
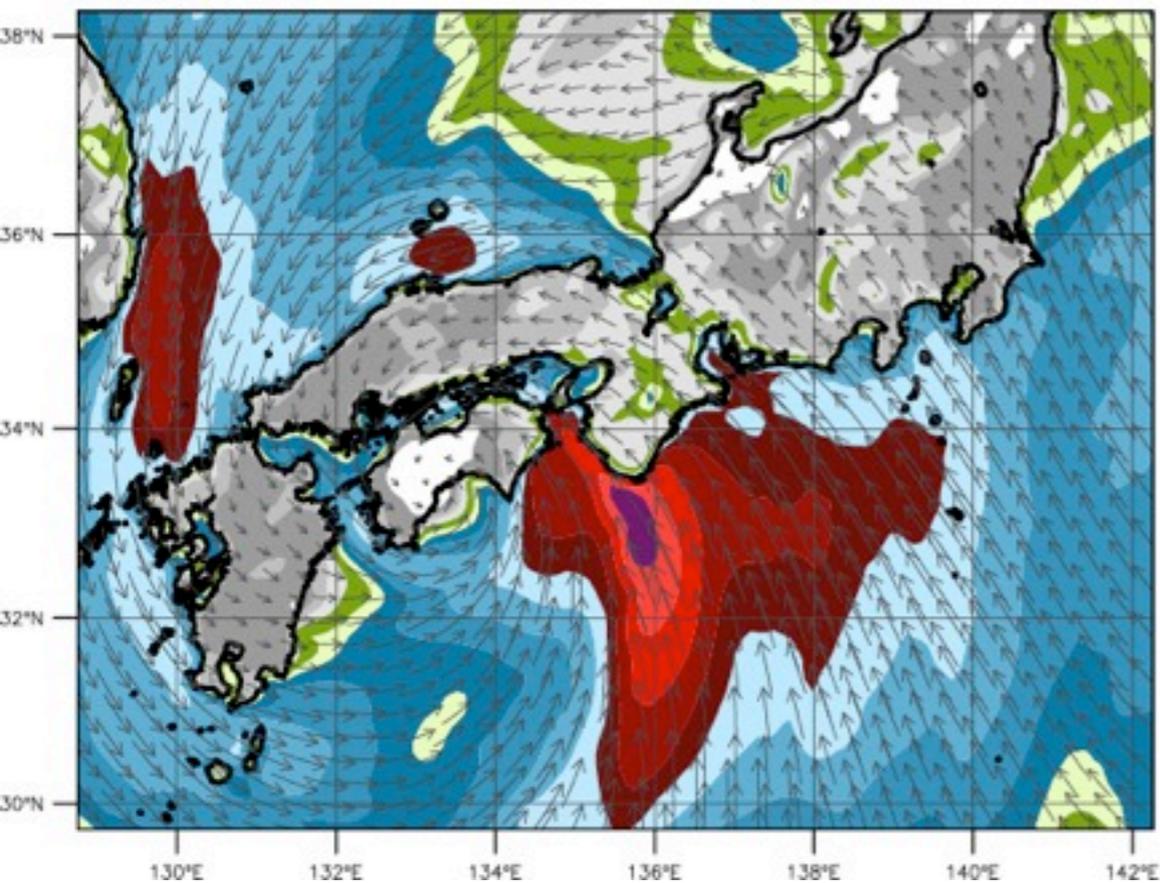
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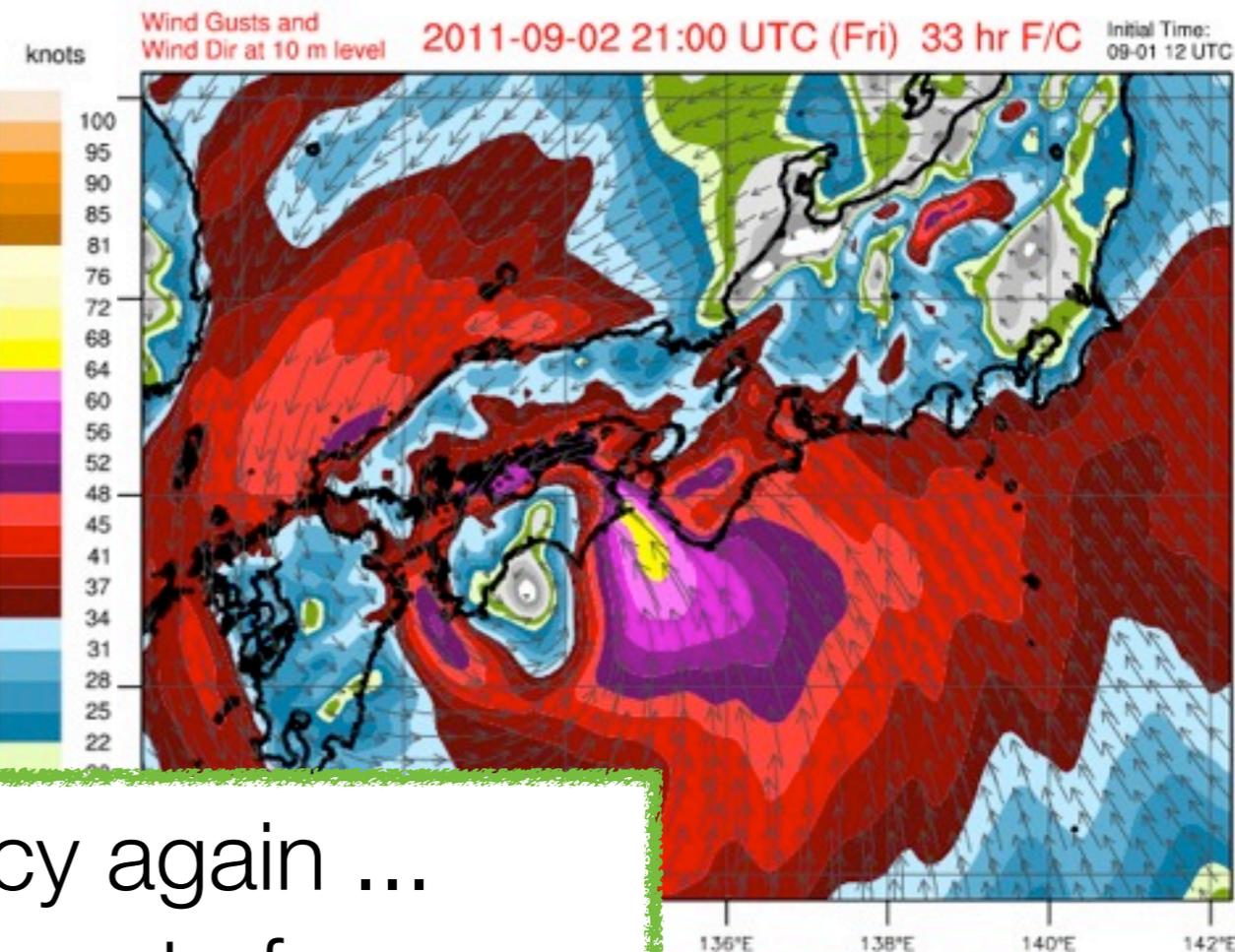
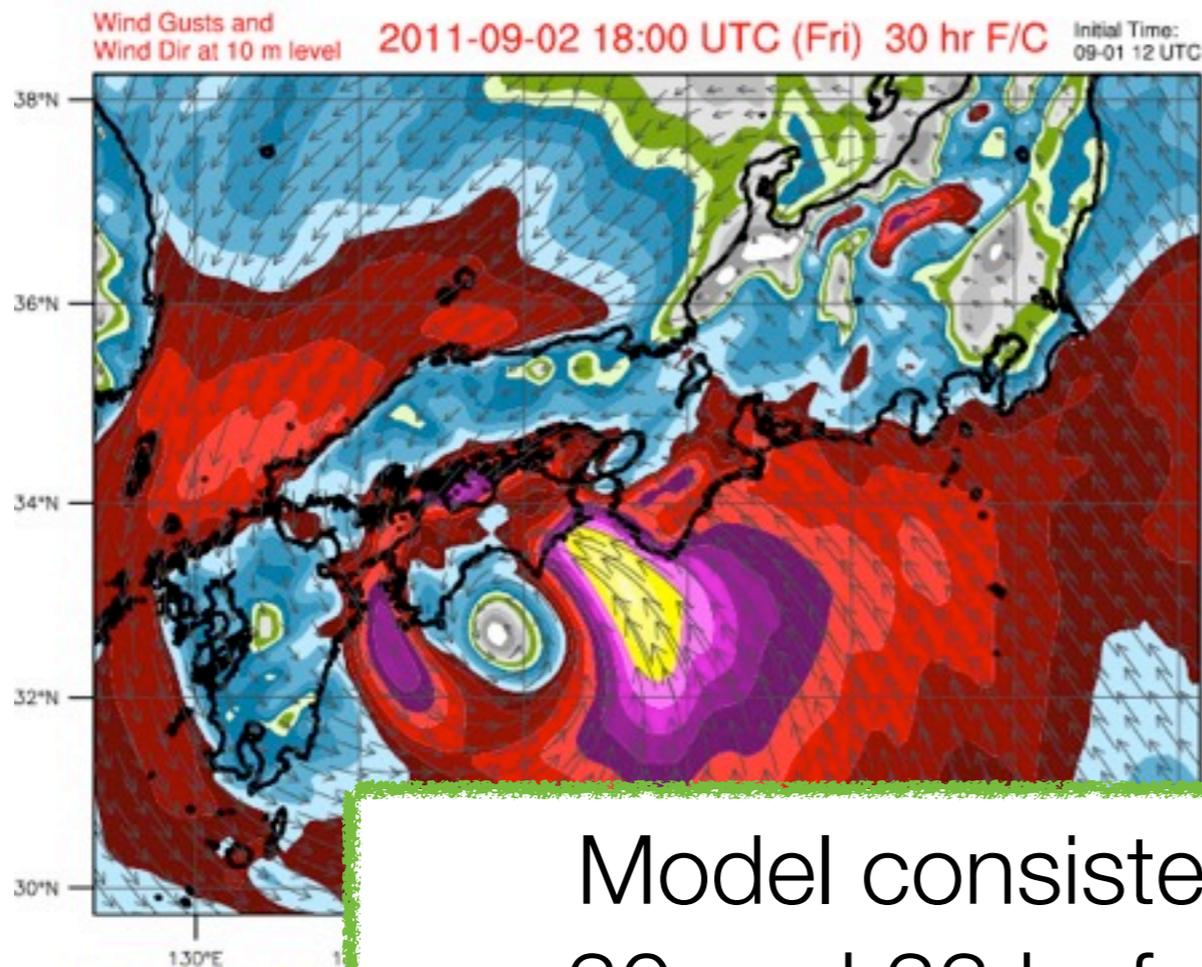
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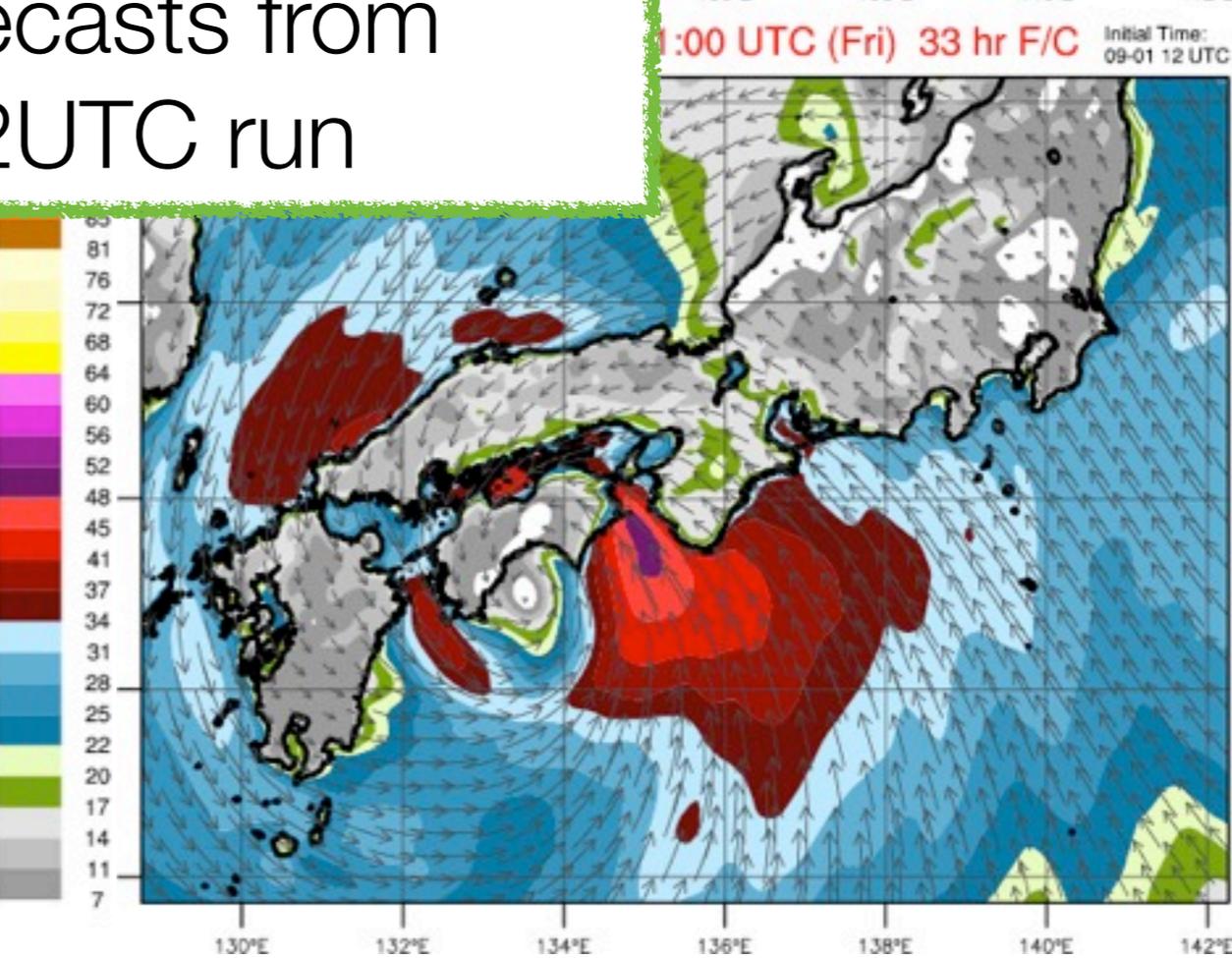
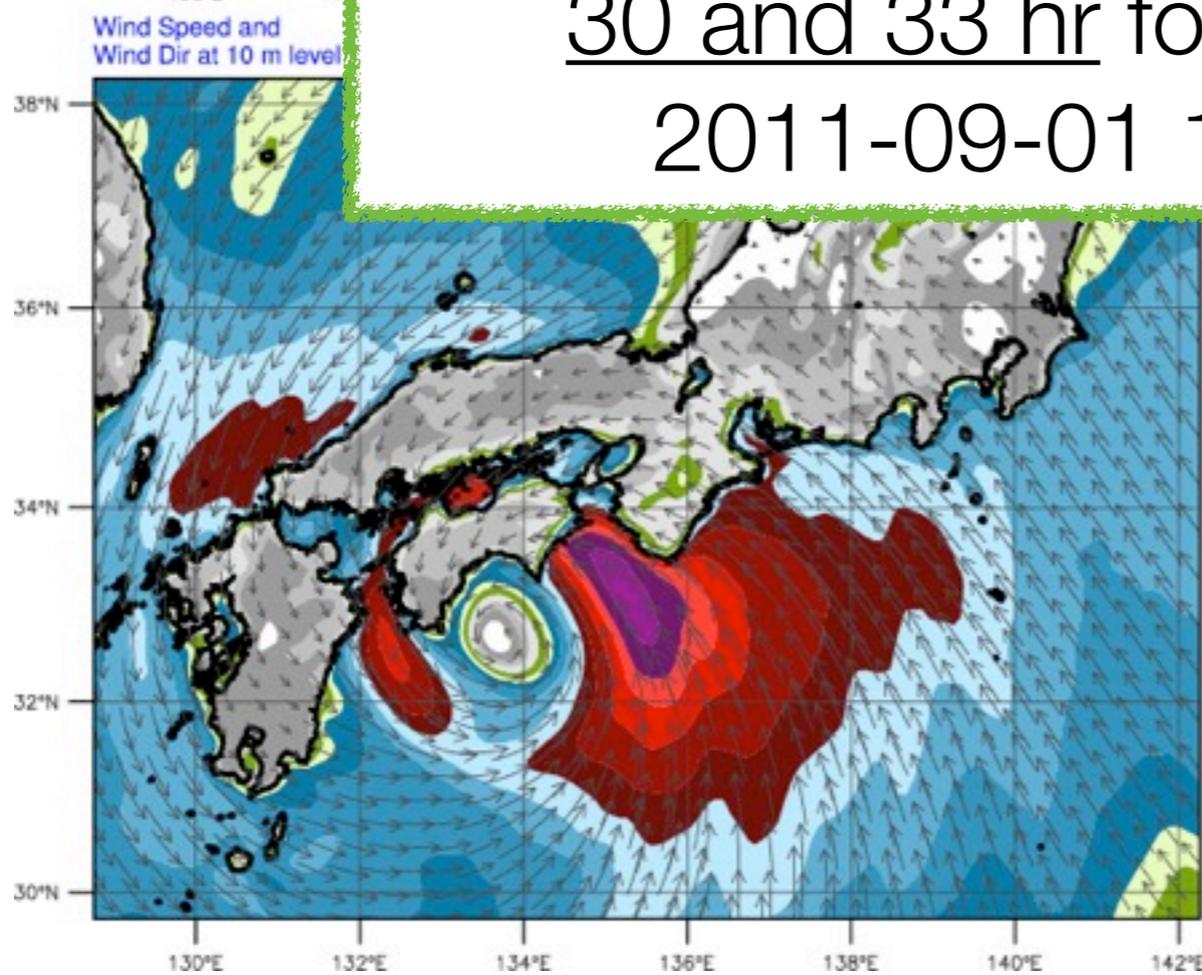


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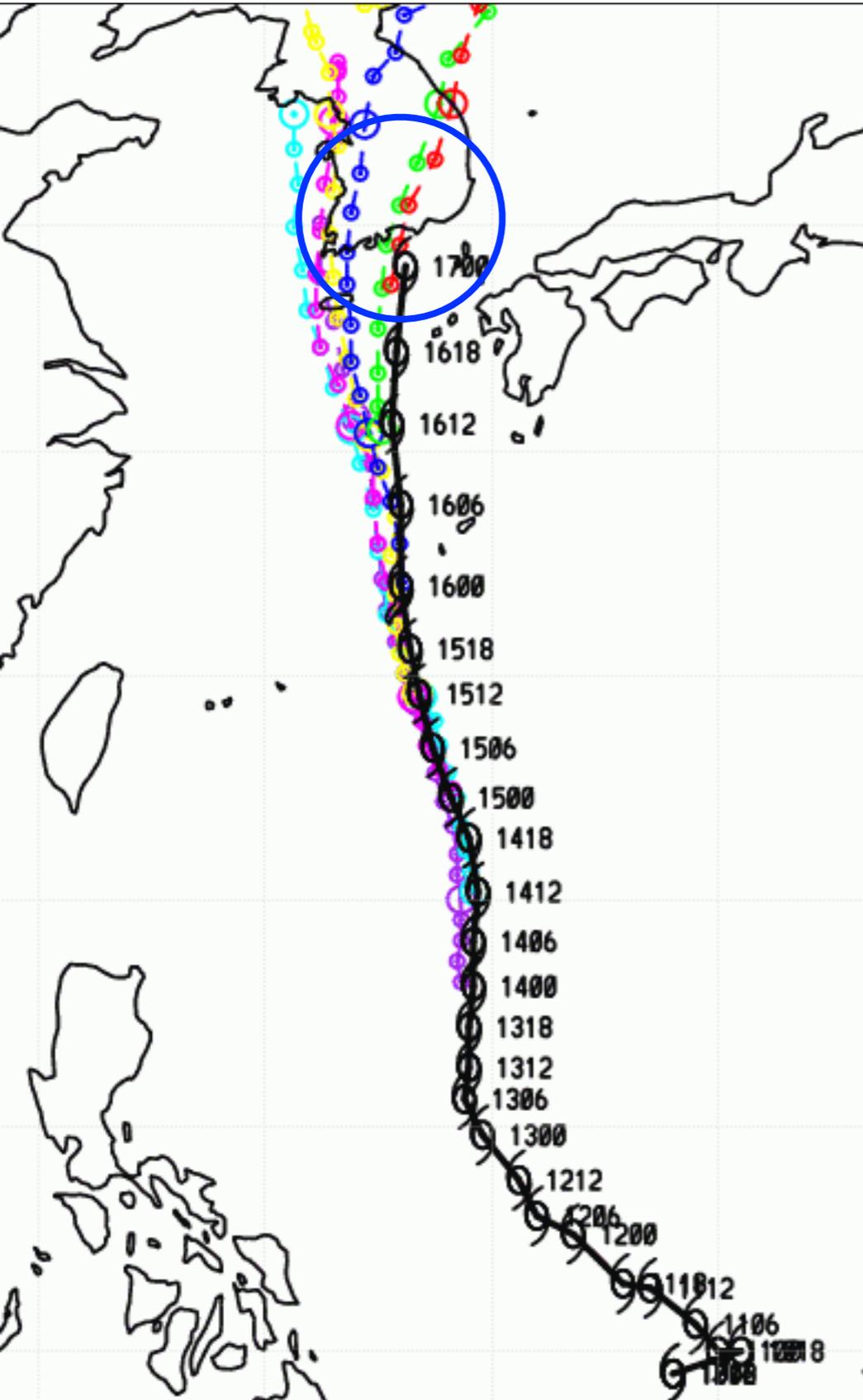
2011-09-02 12UTC run



Model consistency again ...
30 and 33 hr forecasts from
2011-09-01 12UTC run



ST Sanba



Busan
winds at ~ 97 mph (84 knots)



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Terrifying typhoon hits South Korea with 100mph winds so strong rocks are sent flying through the air

By PHIL VINTER

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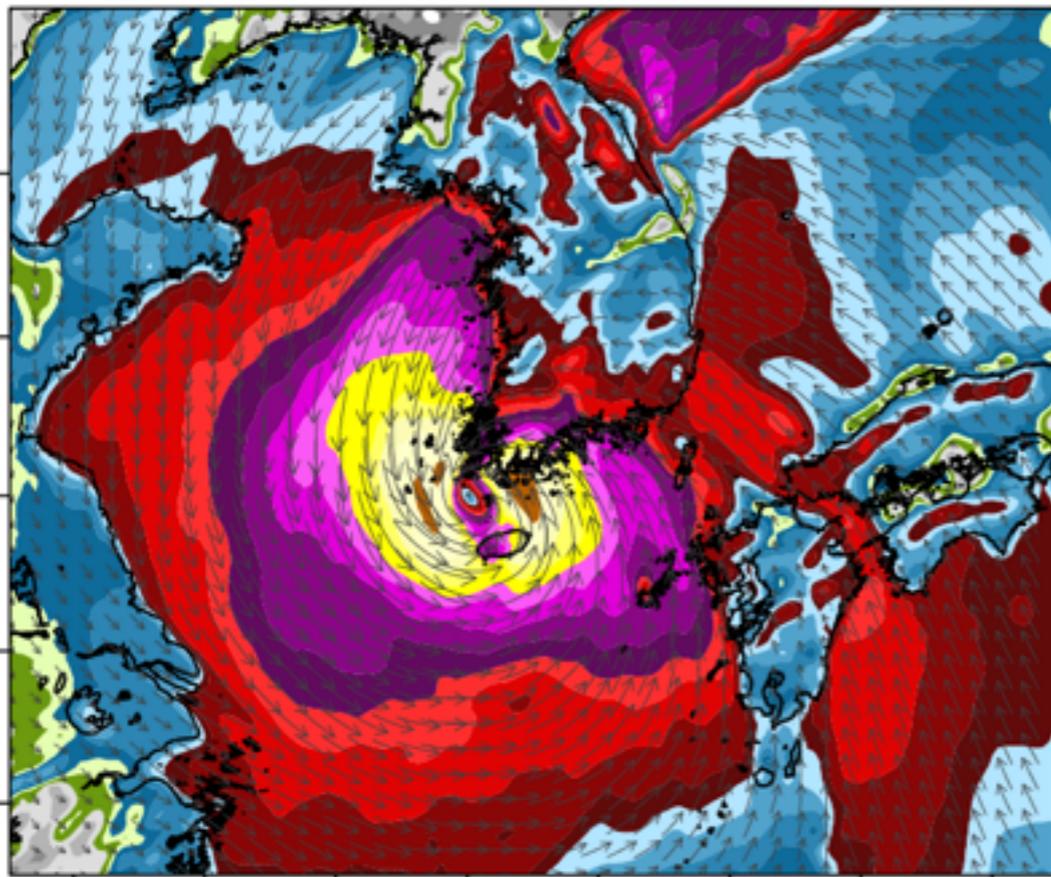
A typhoon ripped through the coast of South Korea this morning with powerful winds and heavy rain causing the death of at least one person and leaving scores of others homeless.

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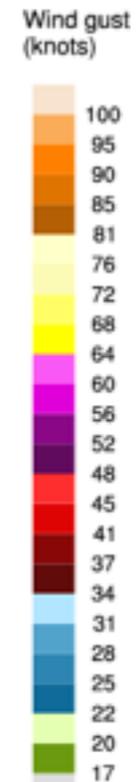
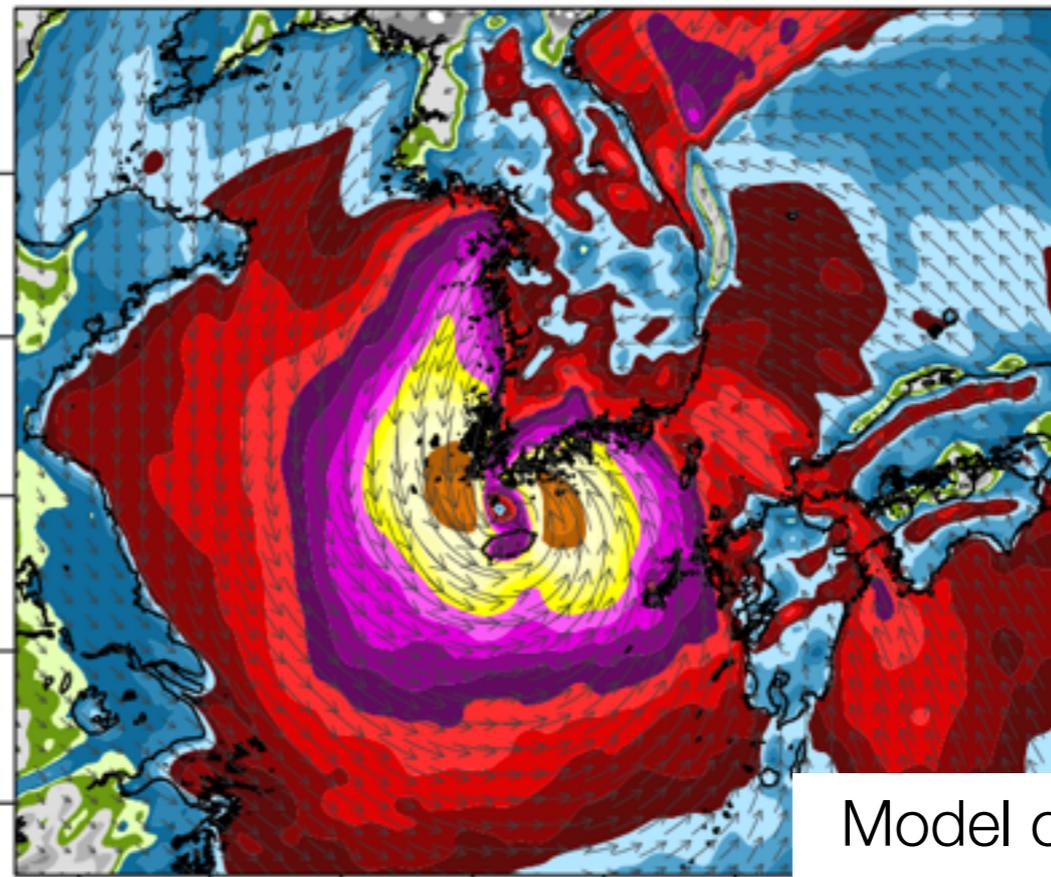
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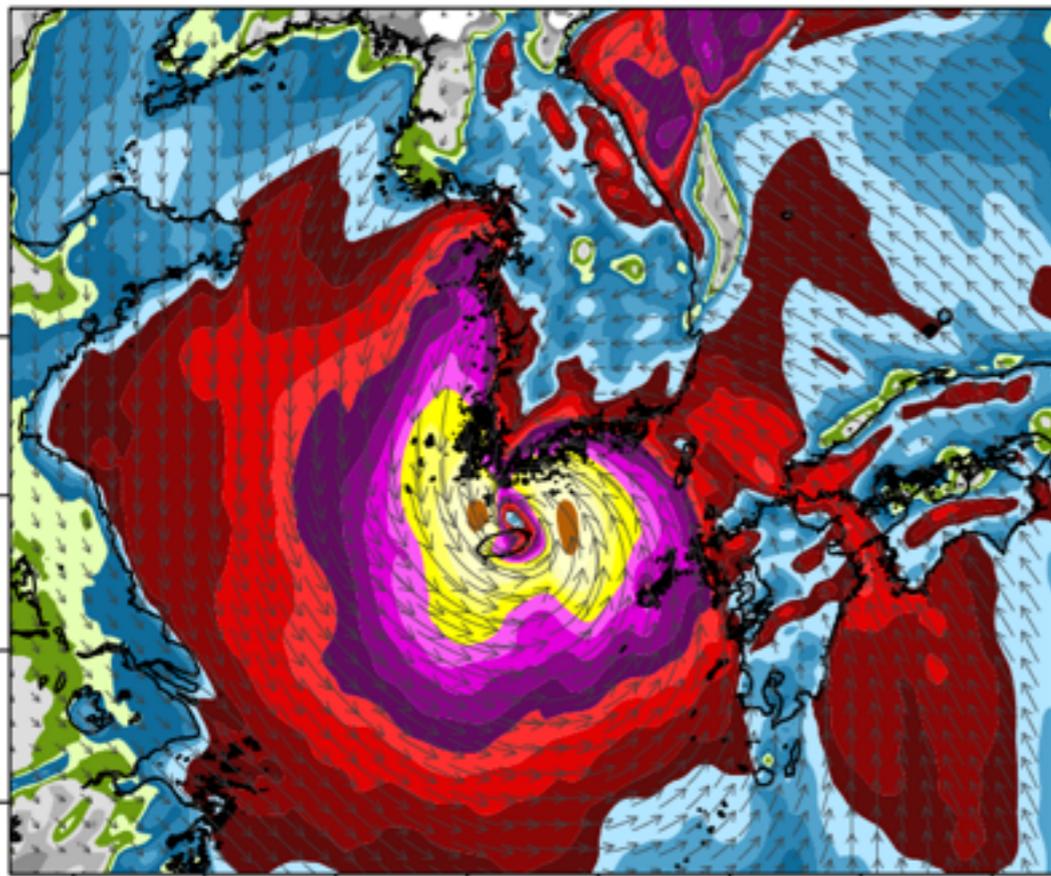
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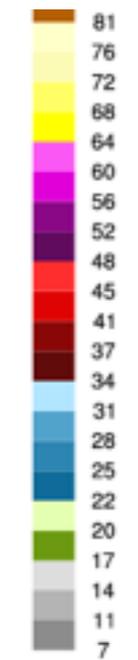
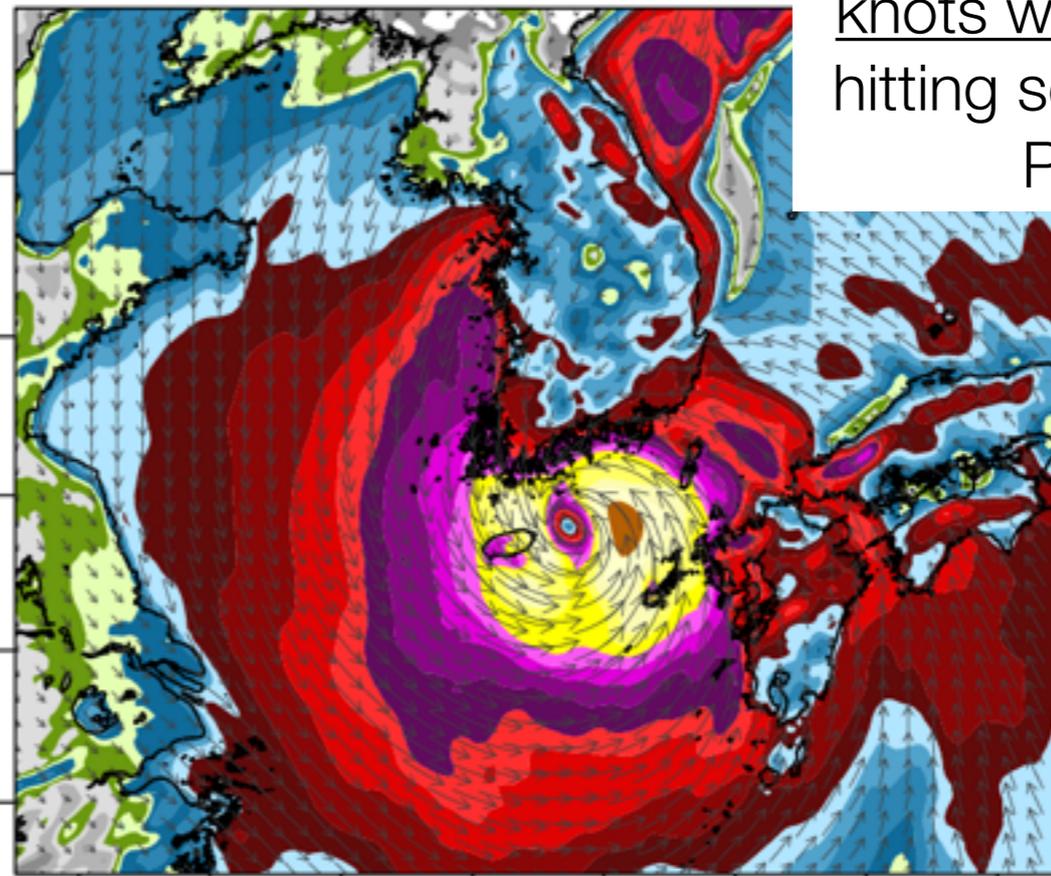
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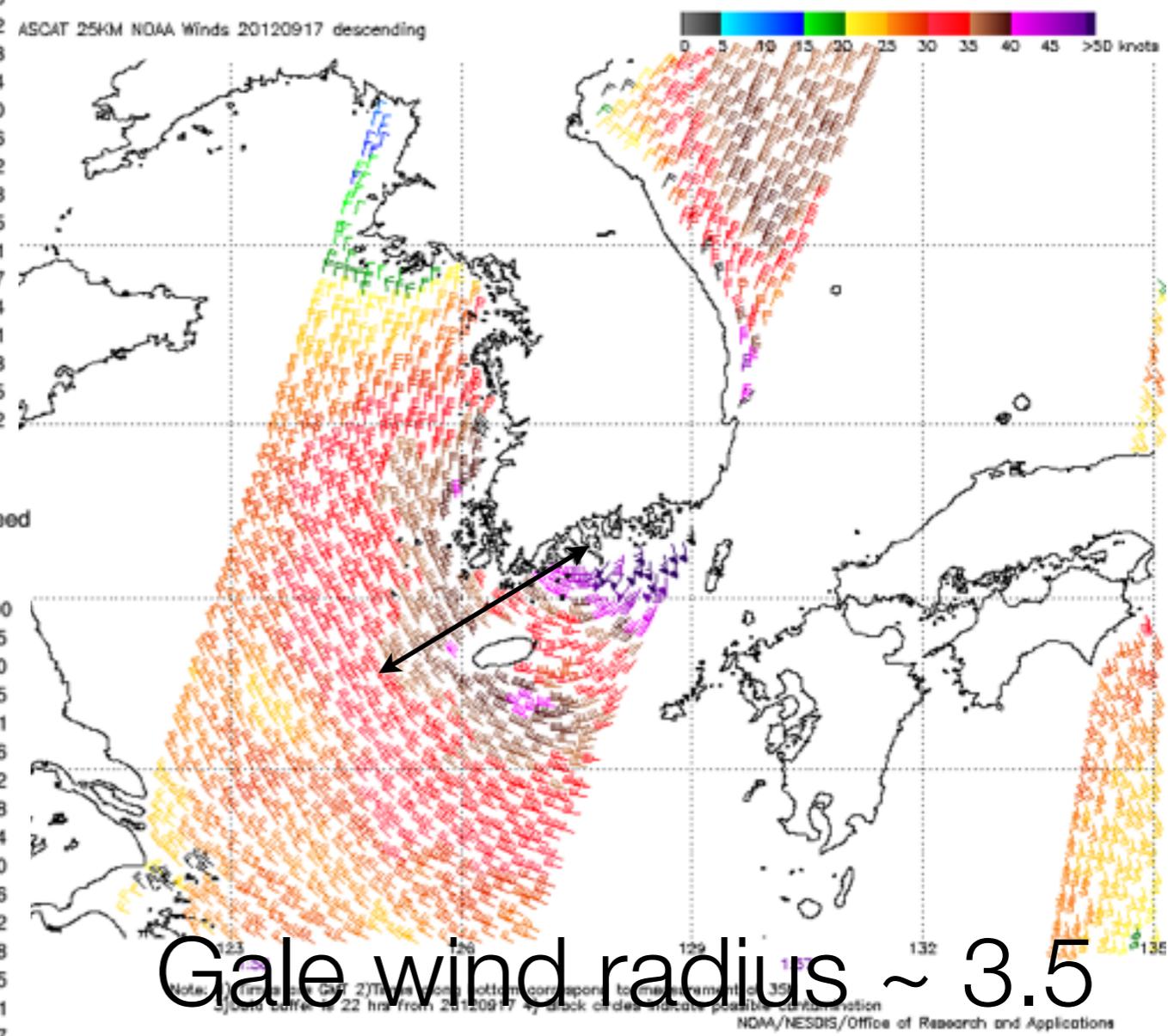
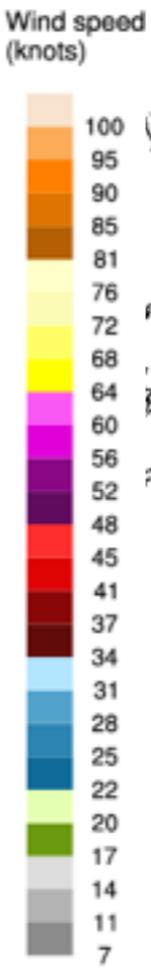
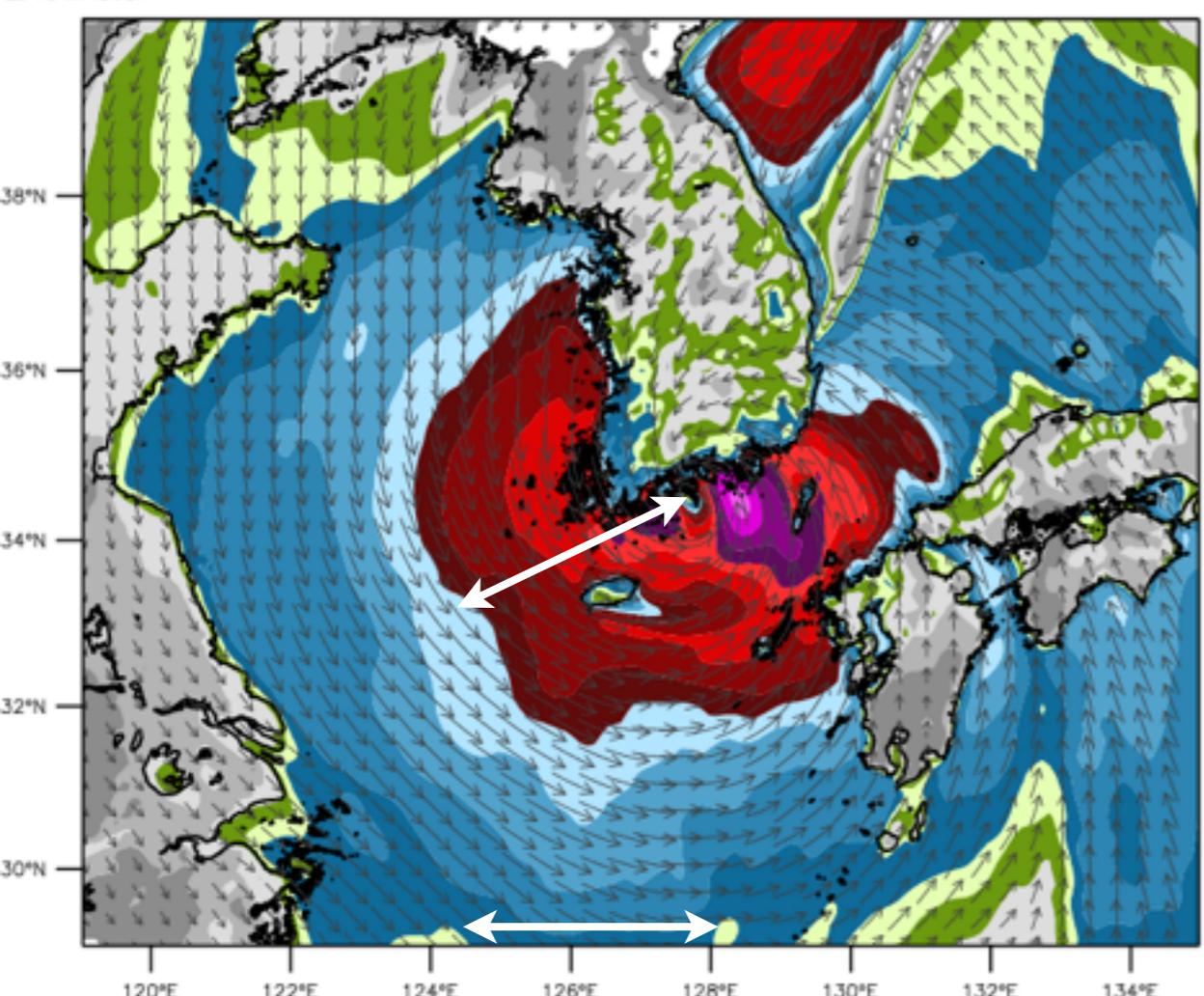
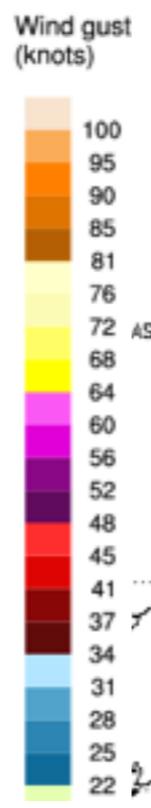
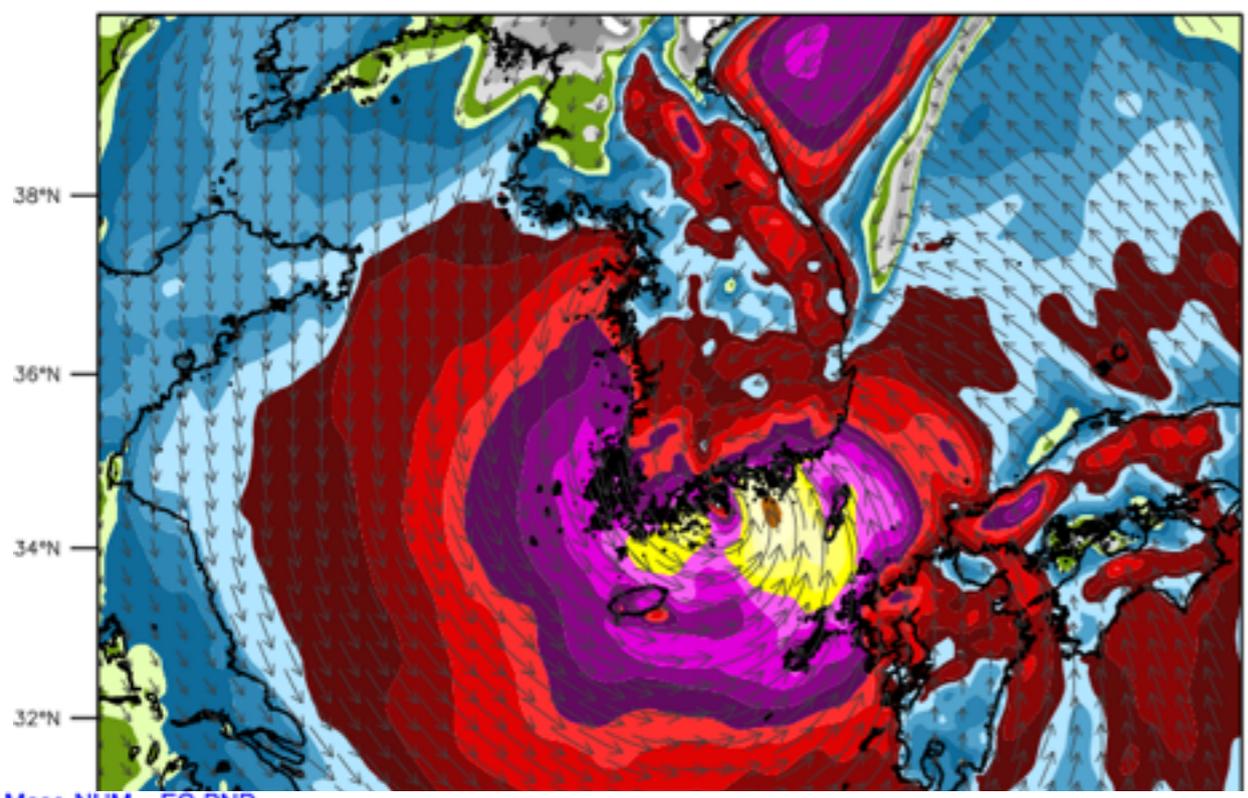
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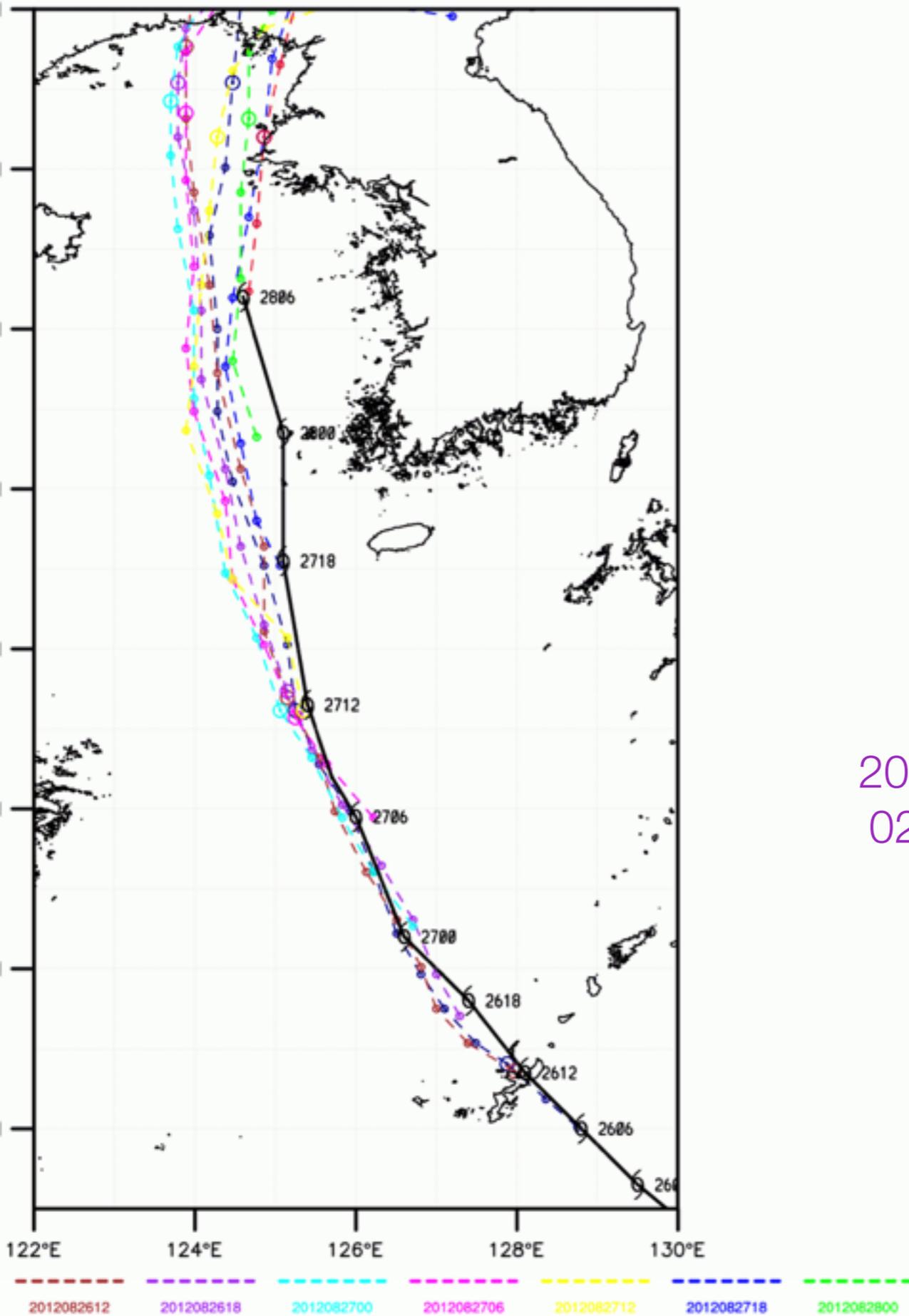


Model consistencies in forecasting of over 81 knots wind (gust) areas hitting southern Korean Peninsula

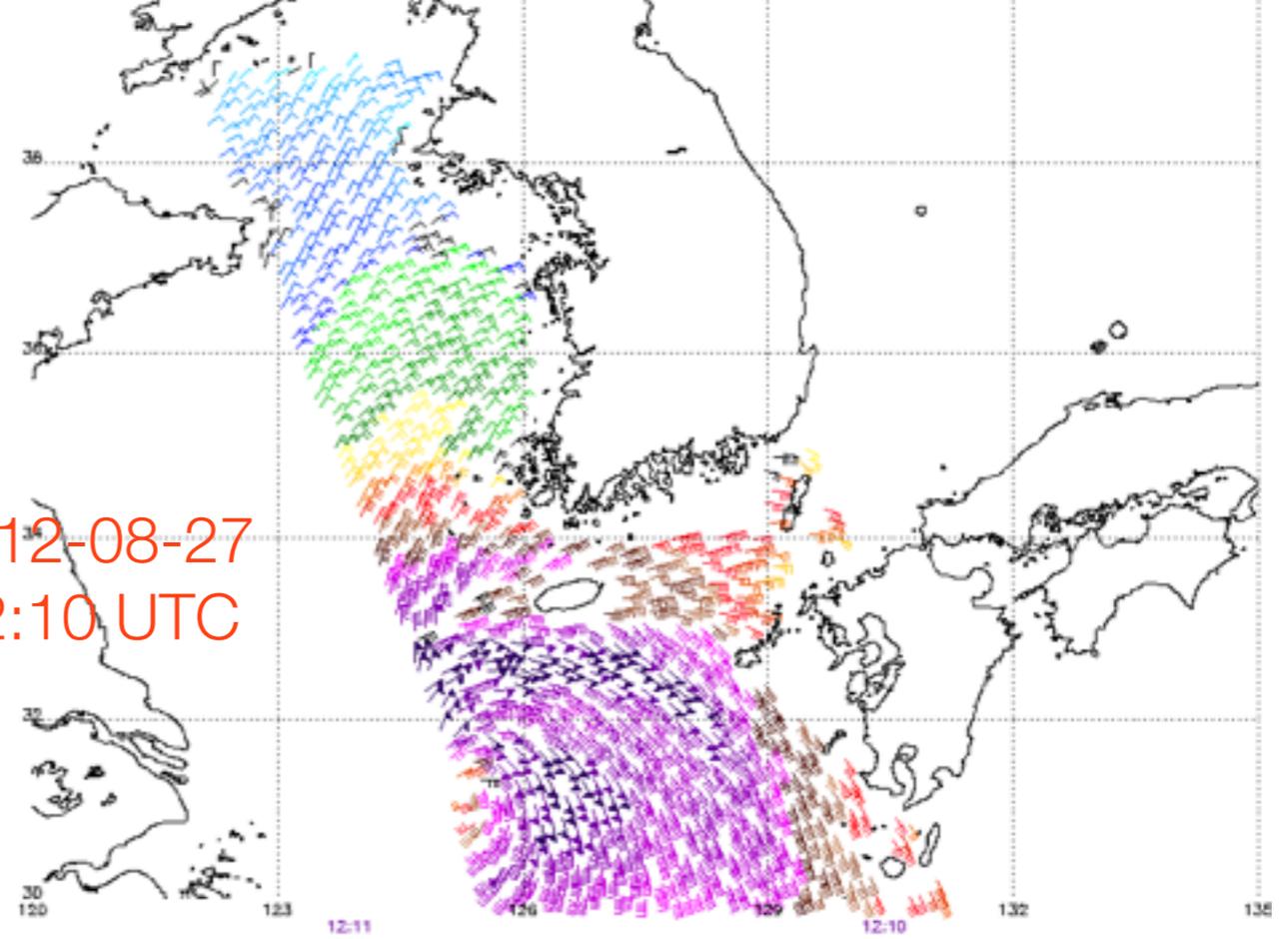


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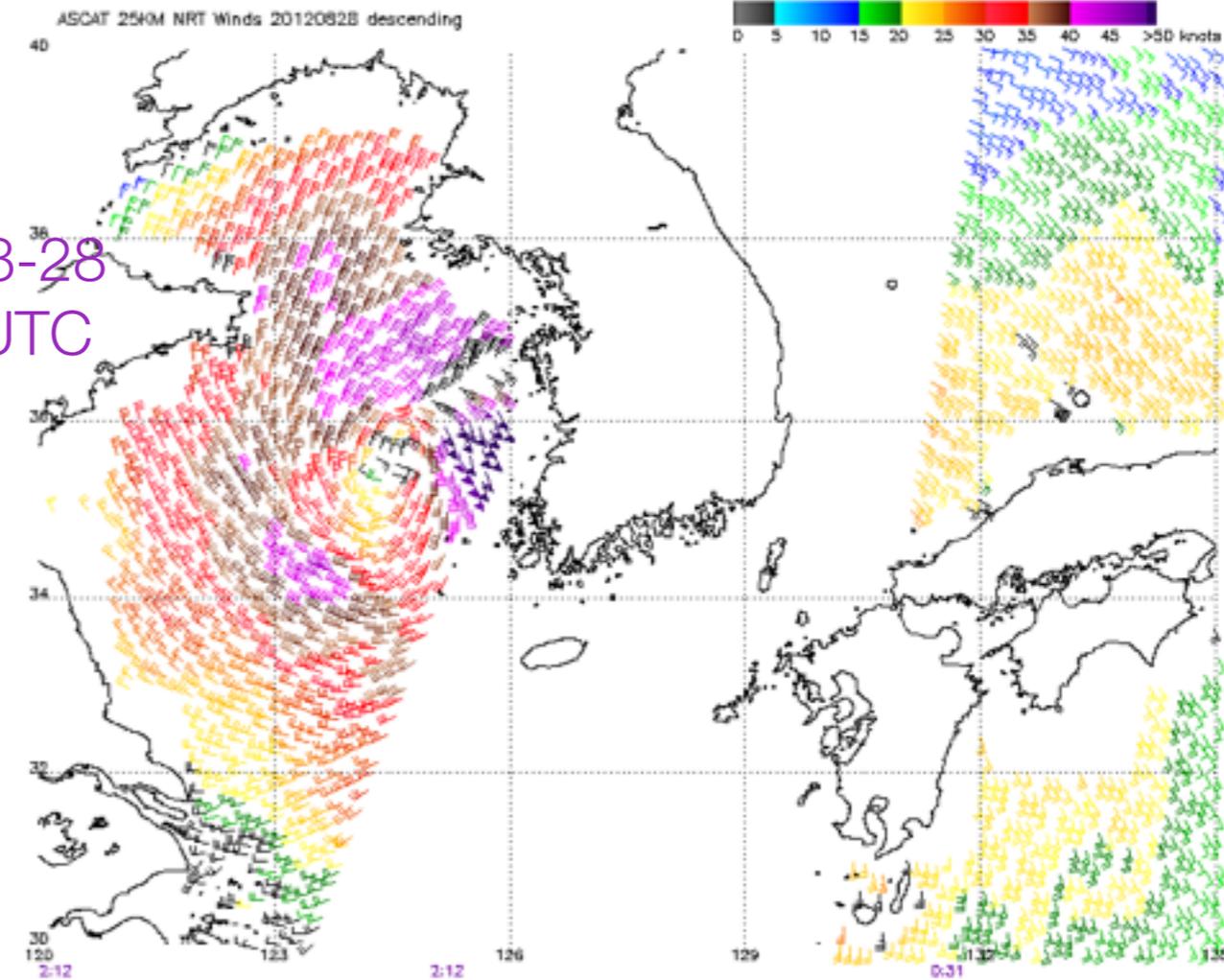
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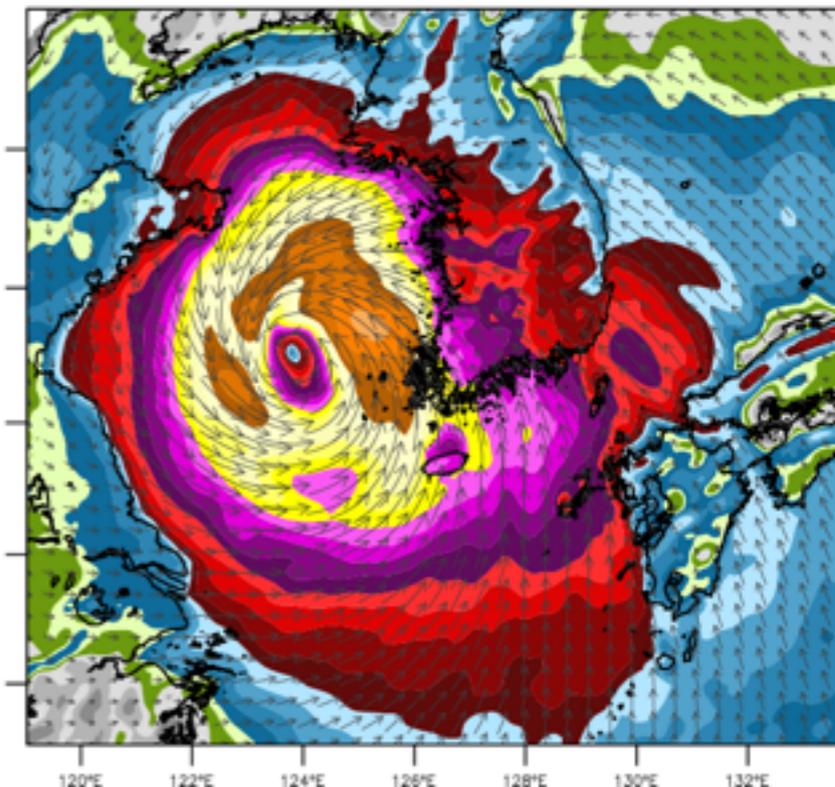
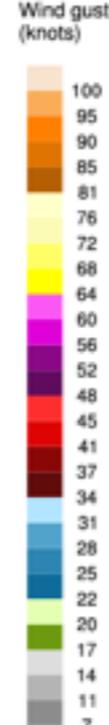
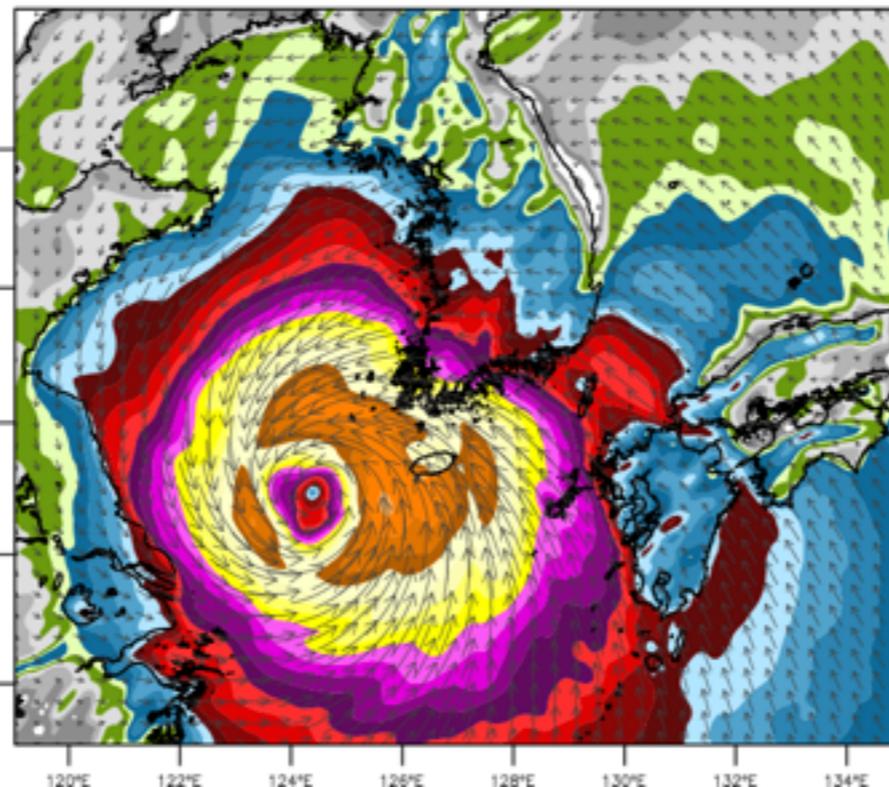
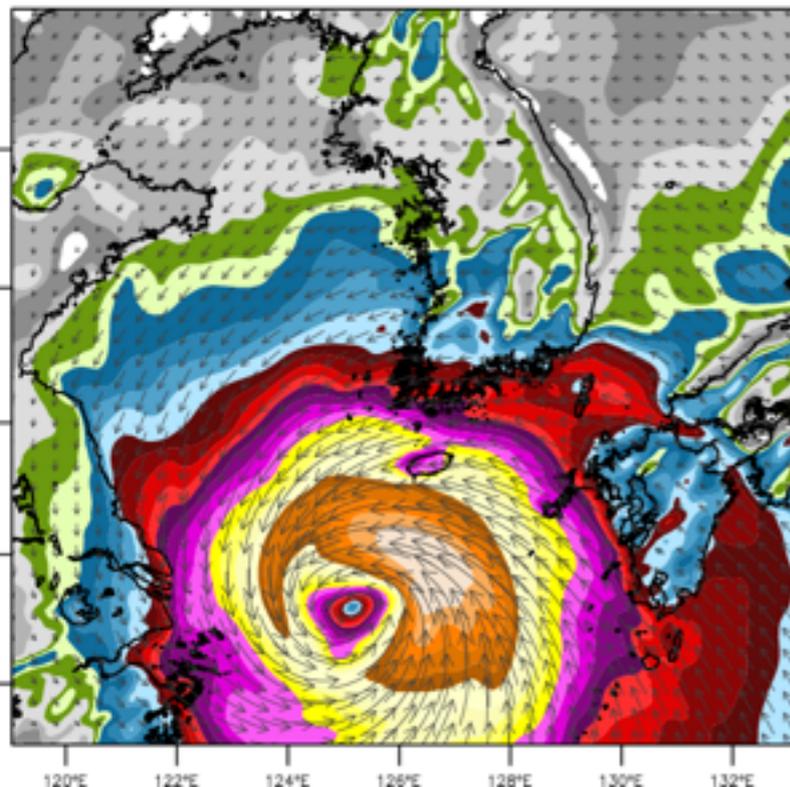
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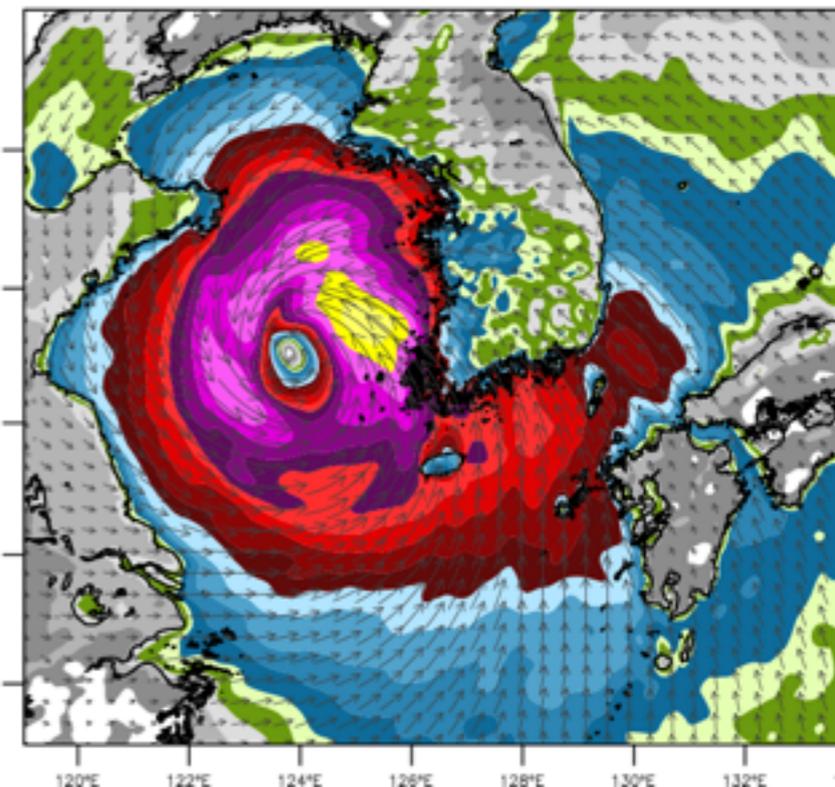
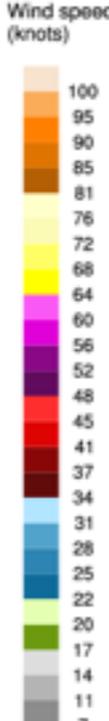
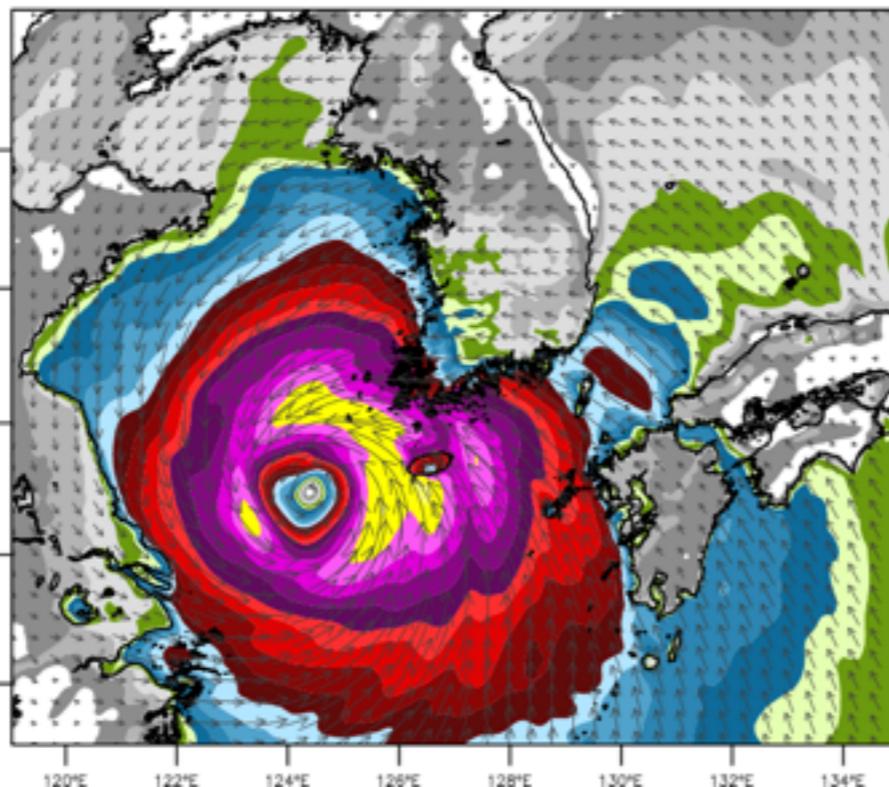
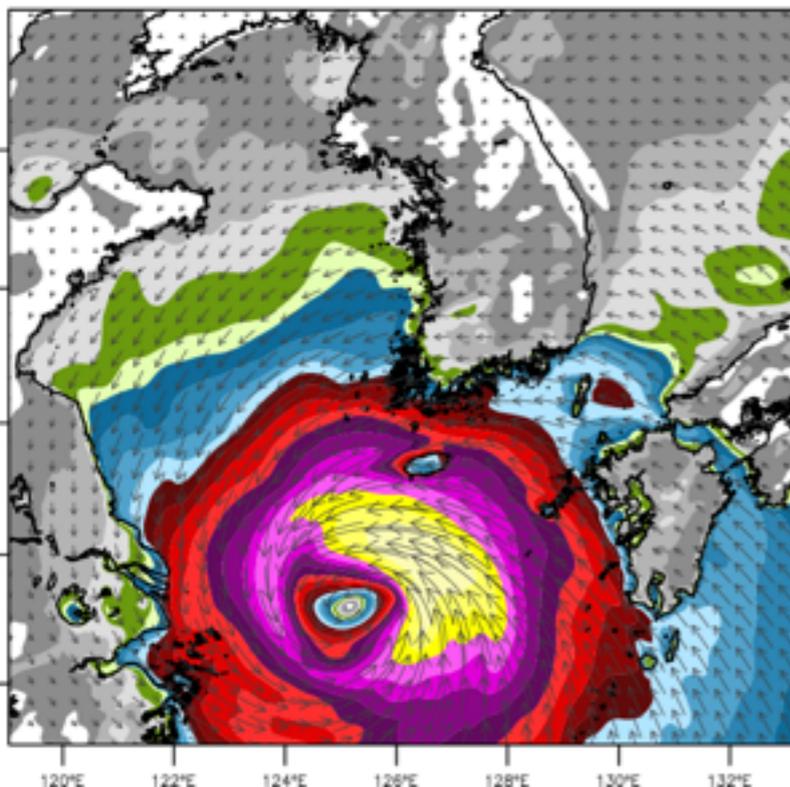
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12, 18, and 24-h forecast wind gust (upper) and wind at 10 m level from 2012-08-27 00 UTC runs



Summary

- Meso-NHM and RAPIDS-NHM have been in operation in HKO since June 2010
 - Atmospheric Integrated Rapid-cycle (AIR) forecast model system
- Targets of AIR/NHM
 - Support mesoscale analysis
 - Enhance quantitative precipitation forecast
 - Tropical cyclones
- Alternative (and realistic) scenario of weather forecasts over the global NWP model outputs

Thank you very much .